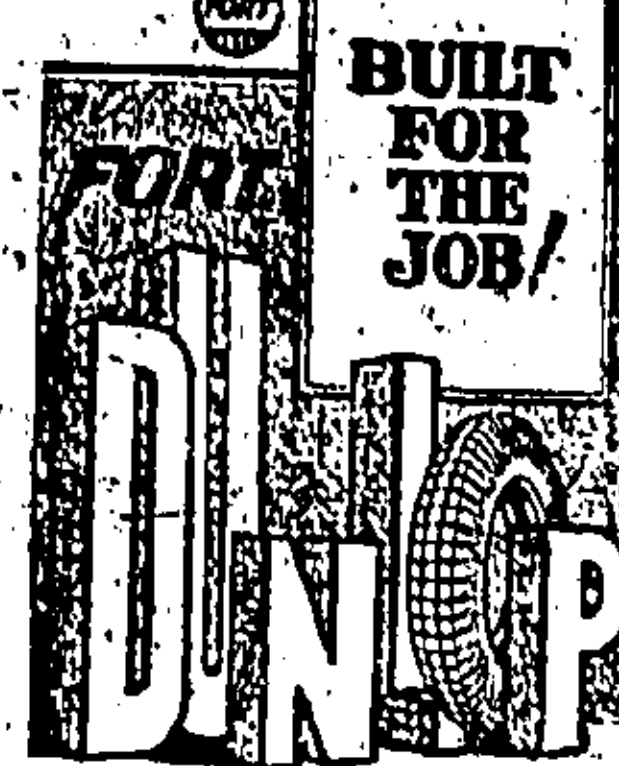


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COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF SUMMONED TO LONDON.

OFFICERS' TACT PRAISED

Rugby, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, at question time, Sir Austen Chamberlain, First Lord of the Admiralty, stated that the Admiralty had issued an Order to the Fleet in which it was stated that the Admiralty was fully alive to the hardships among certain classes of rating resulting from the reduction of pay. The ships of the Atlantic Fleet were to proceed to their Home Ports forthwith to enable a personal investigation to be made with a view to necessary alleviation. Praise-worthy Tact and Common Sense.

Later in the debate, the motion for adjournment raised by a Member for Portsmouth Central, Capt. W. P. Hall, R.N., Sir Austen paid a tribute to the Senior Officers Commanding the Atlantic Fleet for the tact and common sense of their actions which would, he believed, be warmly echoed by the men of the Fleet.

Speaks Well of Navy Discipline. As regards the lower deck, although their action could not be excused, he might almost say that if such action was taken at all it spoke well for the general discipline of the Navy that it should have passed off so quietly and without disturbance. He felt confident that, in accordance with the traditions of the Service, the men would loyally uphold it, and would not look back to what had happened but forward to rendering service to the Country.

Inquiry Assured. After dealing with the detailed criticisms of cuts made by Capt. Hall, Sir Austen said, with regard to special cases of hardship and unfairness, the Admiralty was prepared to make an inquiry with the hope of finding a method of alleviating the hardships.

Find Remedy If Possible. The general scheme of economy, laid down by the Government, was required in order to restore National prosperity and restore National credit. They could not allow it to be eaten away in detail, but they were quite ready, in cases of exceptional hardship, to provide a remedy, if they could.

Purpose of Inquiry. That was the purpose of the inquiry which would be opened at the earliest possible moment, after the arrival of the ships at Home Ports, by the respective Commanders-in-Chief.

Summoned to London. It is understood that the Commanders-in-Chief of Home Ports have been summoned to the Admiralty to discuss the plan for holding of the inquiry into the grievances of the men regarding pay cuts. — British Wireless Service.

Adjournment Motion Withdrawn.

The past is past, and it is everybody's interest to forget it, declared Sir Austen Chamberlain in the House of Commons when replying to a Labour demand that there should be no penalisation in connection with the naval unrest. Labour Members emphasised that they did not condone indiscipline in the Navy. Sir Austen reiterated the substance of the Admiralty statement (mentioned yesterday)

giving an assurance that all grievances would be sifted by the District Commanders-in-Chief, but said that Government could not allow the economy scheme to be eaten away.

The ex-First Lord, Mr. Alexander, said that he was justified at Government's statement, and finally the Labour motion for adjournment of the House was withdrawn.

Philosophical Acceptance of Cuts.

Wellington, Yesterday. Admiralty cuts in pay have been accepted philosophically by 200 Officers and men of the British sloops Laburnum and Veronica.

The crews of the cruisers Dunde and Diomed, who are paid by the New Zealand Government, are not affected, but it is expected that their pay will soon be subjected to a ten per cent. cut in common with the Civil Service.

Earlier Cables. London, Yesterday. Recriminations ran high in the House of Commons this evening, following a question regarding the trouble in the Navy.

First Lord's Statement. Sir Austen Chamberlain announced that a Naval order had been promulgated promising an investigation into special cases of hardship, and stating that any further disobedience by individuals would be dealt with under the Navy discipline Act.

Replying to supplementary questions, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that when he took over the Admiralty he found instructions to make cuts already there.

Mr. Alexander's Explanation. The former First Lord, Mr. Alexander, stated that the Labour Cabinet was warned by the Admiralty Sea Lords and political heads of the dangers of what had since occurred, and added that instructions regarding the cuts were subject to discussion with the Chancellor regarding details.

Premier's Revelation. Sir Austen Chamberlain was replying when the Premier intervened, and said that the advice given to the late Government by the Admiralty was that the men would loyally accept cuts, provided, first that cuts were made all-round-the-public-services, and secondly that an adequate cut be made in unemployment pay.

An uproar followed this revelation.

Army Hardships. Capt. Duff Cooper, at question time, disclosed that a sub-committee had been established to investigate every case of hardship connected with the Army cuts.

Adjournment Motion. The whole Opposition rose bodily in support of a Labourite motion for an adjournment to discuss "a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the unrest in the Atlantic fleet."

The debate will be held to-night. — Reuter.

"Dauntless" Example. Rio de Janeiro, Yesterday. The officers and men of H.M.S. Dauntless are unprotestingly accepting their pay reductions, and express the opinion that naval men must contribute to help the Government's economy programme. — Reuter's American Service.

FRENCH PROTEST

BRITAIN AND TARIFFS.

INFRINGEMENT

INJURIOUS TO BOTH COUNTRIES.

Geneva, Yesterday. Anxiety in France, owing to reports that Britain might adopt protective tariffs, is shown by the fact that M. Rollin, the French Minister of Commerce, has approached the representative on the Board of Trade and expressed the view held by the French Government that the imposition of Customs duties for the purpose of remedying Britain's adverse balance trade would constitute an infringement of the elementary rights of countries engaged in normal economic relations. He added that the French Government could not believe that Britain would adopt such steps which, he felt sure, would injure the interests of both countries. — Reuter.

SHARE MARKET

STEADY.

Prices Maintained at Opening.

TO-DAY'S ACTIVITIES.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange, to-day states:

The market opened steady this morning with prices maintained. Banks were in demand at \$2,040. Cantons were again in request at yesterday's rate—\$1,545.

Unions were also wanted at \$555. H.K. Fires were in demand at \$1,485.

Waterboats, after being done at \$284, closed in demand at \$28½. Wharves continue in demand at \$164.

Docks are still wanted at \$29. Providents (old), which were done at \$6½, could have been obtained at \$6.50. The new shares were in demand at \$3.10.

Hotels (old) were on offer at \$17½. The new shares were also obtainable at \$17, and at the close there were buyers at \$16.65.

Land was in demand at \$30½. Humpreys (old) were wanted at \$22.

Realities were reported to have changed hands at \$17.40.

Ewos were in request at \$16.10, as were Shanghai Cottons at \$108 and Zoong Sings at \$13.

Trams, after changing hands at \$23½, closed in request at \$23½. Other utilities in demand were Peak Trams (new) at \$6.35, Star Ferries at \$95½, Yaumati Ferries at \$22½, China Lights at \$24½, and Electric at \$22.

Cements (combined) were wanted at \$20.65.

Dairy Farms were the medium of sales at \$32½.

Watsons were wanted at \$17.20. Construction, cum. rights, were reported sold at \$14.55, and at the close there were sellers at \$14.30.

ROCK IN HUNGWA SOUND.

It is notified at the Harbour Office that a rock with four feet of water over it at low water spring tides, is reported in Hungwa Sound, in position Lat. 25 deg. 24' 10" N. and Long. 119 deg. 18' E.

GETTING READY AT CALSHOT.

Seaplane Salvaged from Solent. NOT MUCH DAMAGED.

Rugby, Yesterday. The seaplane, in which Flight Lieutenant Stainforth met with a mishap yesterday, was raised, from the eight fathoms of water in which it sank in the Solent, by a salvage boat to-day. It did not appear to be much damaged.

Preparations for Flight Lieut. Stainforth's attempt to break his own record for the International three kilometre course of 370 miles an hour are continuing. The Standard Rolls Royce engine has been removed from the Vickers.

FINE GENERALLY.

The Royal Observatory's report issued to-day at 10.21 a.m. states:—

The typhoon is less than 200 miles S.E. of Oshima, moving N. or N.N.W.

The depression S.W. of the Paracels has filled up. Local Forecast:—N.E. or variable winds; fine generally. Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.03. Total since January 1—70.51 inches, against an average of 72.03 inches—deficit 1.57 inch.

Temperature. The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	78
Macao	77
Pratas Island	81
Manila	77
Pochoy	77
Amoy	80
Chefoo	64
Shanghai	65

NON-STOP RECORD FLIGHT.

By British Flying-Boat. 1,100 MILES.

Rugby, Yesterday. At the end of the test flight to the East and back, the Royal Air Force Saro Severn flying-boat yesterday set up a new record for the longest non-stop flight for a flying boat, when it flew 1,100 miles from Gibraltar to Plymouth without alighting. — British Wireless Service.

THE B.B.C.

Must Provide for Public Funds.

£1,000,000.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Chancellor of the Exchequer stated in the House of Commons to-day that the position of the British Broadcasting Corporation would be reviewed in the light of the financial emergency, and that the Corporation had to make arrangements by which out of its total revenue from wireless licences next year of £2,250,000, the public funds would receive £1,000,000. — British Wireless Service.

THE MAHATMA COMPLAINS

WAR DEBTS

BRITAIN'S CREDITS AND DEBITS.

VAST SUMS

WHAT HAS BEEN LIQUIDATED.

Rugby, Yesterday.

In a Parliamentary answer to a question on War Debts, the Chancellor of the Exchequer stated that

the net War Debt due to Britain by Italy, at the signing of the Funding Agreement, was £600,000,000. The net amount received since was £23,000,000 and to be received under agreement was £254,650,000.

The War Debt due to Britain by France, at the signing of the Funding Agreement, was £600,000,000. The amount received since was £4,625,000, and the total to be received under agreement was £799,500,000.

The total owing by Britain to the United States, at the signing of the Funding Agreement was \$4,600,000,000. The amount paid since was \$1,351,720,000, and the aggregate amount to be paid under the agreement to the completion of payment was \$1,105,963,000. — British Wireless Service.

LAST NIGHT'S FIRE.

Anxious Moments in Chinese Street.

3 DEAD 2 INJURED.

A fire broke out on the ground floor of 10, Chinese Street, which is occupied by Chan Shun, a salt dealer, his wife and five children, at 11.50 o'clock last night. It soon assumed serious proportions, and Tang Ngan (30), the proprietor's wife, was burned to death. The children were all taken to the Government Civil Hospital, where two, Chan To (6) and Chan Mui (3) both girls, subsequently died from burns. Lee Siu (50) a man, and Sit Fung, a woman, who were trapped on the first floor of the building jumped to the street, and were injured.

MR. W. J. WHITE.

Death of Dockyard Storehouseman.

The death occurred last night of Mr. W. J. White, of the Stores department of the Royal Naval Dockyard. He had been ill for only two or three days.

Mr. White, who was a Freemason, came to Hong Kong from Devonport, where his wife and three children reside. Of a genial disposition, Mr. White was prominent athlete and a good rifle shot. He was about 36 years of age. The funeral will take place this afternoon, passing the Monument at 5 o'clock.

REVOLT SEQUEL.

Prince and General Released.

PROVISIONALLY.

Vienna, Yesterday. A message from Linz states that Prince Starhemberg and General Puchmayr have been provisionally released. — Reuter.

COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS INTERMINABLE

LEADING NOWHERE

GOVERNMENT ASKED TO GIVE A LEAD.

PACKED CONFERENCE?

Rugby, Yesterday. Mr. Gandhi made a long speech at the meeting of the Federal Structure Committee to-day in the course of a general discussion on the composition of the methods of election to the Federal Legislature.

Packed Conference. He began by declaring himself oppressed by the fear that the delegates were not the chosen ones of India, but of the Government. There was a sense of unreality about the Committee, and its proceedings seemed to him interminable and leading nowhere. He made the "gentle humble complaint" that His Majesty's Government did not give them a lead which would help them to reach conclusions. He wished Government to say what they would do if Indians had appointed them arbiters of their destiny.

Mr. Gandhi then proceeded to deal seriatim with the points before the meeting.

Federation. India, historically, was one country, he said, and the Princes, in agreeing to a Federation, had helped to maintain that unity. There must be a spirit of give and take between British India and the Indian States, for without it a definite and workable scheme of Federation was impossible.

Election.

Mr. Gandhi found himself in agreement with the remarks made by Lord Peel, who had pointed out certain advantages which the method of indirect election possessed over direct election. He said he was wedded to adult suffrage, but was not enamoured with the idea of two Legislatures, while he was opposed to the whole idea of nominated members. Experts, he submitted, could attend to give advice, but they should not be able to vote.

European Business Community.

Earlier in the proceedings, the views of the European business community were given by Mr. Gavin Jones. The Indian States, he said, should be adequately represented in the Federation and in fair proportion to British India. Beyond that, the method of selection was an internal matter of the States. They were all agreed that the only solution of their problem was an All-India Federation and no responsibility should be transferred to any Government that was not representative.

DANGEROUS DRIVER.

Passing Another Car at a Corner.

Ho Tung, a motor car driver in the employment of Professor K. H. Digby, was summoned this morning for dangerous driving. Defendant pleaded guilty.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., D.S.P., informed his Worship that on the morning of August 25 he was driving along Bonham Road in a westerly direction, when at a sharp corner, near the main gate of the University building, a motor bus happened to be proceeding in the opposite direction. He saw the defendant pass that bus while it was taking the corner, and caused him (Mr. Wodehouse) to swerve in sharply, to avoid an accident.

tative of all India and all interests in India.

Direct Election with Safeguards. Regarding the method of appointment of British-Indian representatives to the Upper and Lower Houses, he still personally favoured the system of representation of Governments in the Upper House and of the Legislatures in the Lower House. But the European community would consent to indirect election to the Upper House from the Legislatures of the constituent States. They preferred indirect election to the Lower House but, in view of popular opinion favouring direct election, they were willing to agree to it, provided that the House was truly representative of the federating units. They held that the special interests, now represented in the Legislatures, should in the future Government be represented in both Chambers. Europeans, he said, should have the same representation as now with constituencies as at present to elect their representatives. British and Indian commerce should be represented each by three or four members in both Houses. — British Wireless Service.

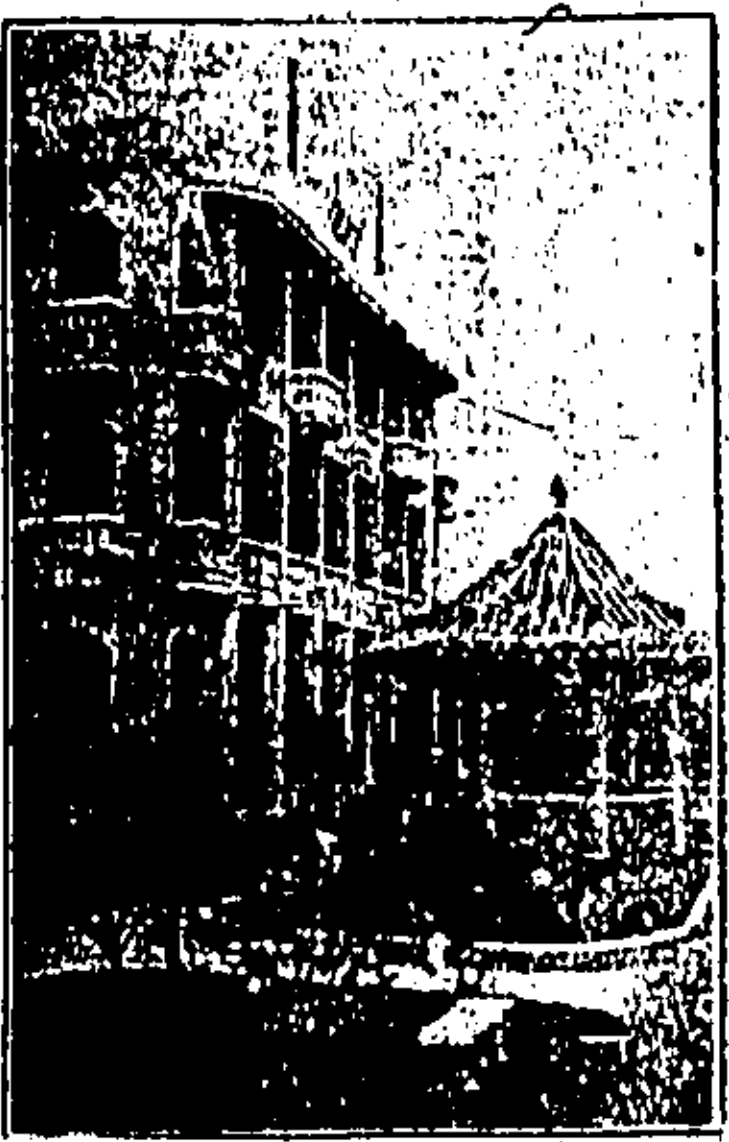
Place All Cards on the Table. London, Yesterday. Mahatma Gandhi lodged a gentle and humble complaint against His Majesty's advisers at the Federal Structure Committee of the Round Table Conference to-day for not giving members a lead. He wanted them to place their cards on the table and submit concrete proposals. He said that the proceedings seemed interminable to him, and were leading practically nowhere.

Lord Sankey undertook to bring the suggestions he made in this sense to the Government's notice.

Mahatma Gandhi then expressed a number of opinions on the question of representation in the Indian Parliament. Favouring adult suffrage, he proposed that each of the half million of villages should elect one representative and later elect men for the Federal Legislature. This procedure would obviate the creation of unwieldy constituencies. He was opposed to a Second Chamber, and opposed also the separate treatment of any special interests, apart from the Hindu - Mussulman-Sikh tangle, and the interests of the "Untouchables." — Reuter.

Another Flight Across Atlantic.

Berlin, Yesterday. The Graf Zeppelin has once again left Friedrichshafen for Pernambuco. She sailed away at 1.15 this morning. — Reuter.



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"ALMOST A HONEYMOON."

Brilliant with laughter from the first flicker to the final fade-out, the British talkie "Almost a Honeymoon," now showing at the Queen's Theatre, appealed to large audiences at all shows yesterday.

British humour, with a "teeny-weeny" touch of naughtiness in it to add spice to the play, was most refreshing. Clifford Mollison had a difficult role as Basil Dibley, the typical man about town who is forever seducing creditors, but carried well, ably supported by Donald Clifton as Charles, his butler.

Dodo, Watts is Mollison's leading lady and her acting in the bedroom scene was amusing. Lamont Dickson as Dodo's fiancée was the perfect silly ass who could not see the point even when Dodo announced to him that Mollison had slept in the same room with her!

Basil Dibley (Clifford Mollison) makes it a rule never to read a solicitor's letter and therefore it was some weeks before he learned that he had succeeded to the fortune of his uncle, who died in New Zealand. In the meantime he secured a Government job in Penang but the principal condition was that he must go out as a married man.

Best acts about to arrive several of his lady friends to assist him as an "Empire builder," as he puts it, but is turned down, one reminding him that once they introduced rabbits into Australia and had been sorry ever since!

Then, as Sir Basil, he wins the lady of his heart, Dodo, and all ends well.

From Other Sources.

"UP THE RIVER."

Only eight years old, blue-eyed, brown-haired and freckled, she counts safe crackers, convicted murderers and eminent screen stars among her most intimate friends. There you have Joan Lawes, nick-named by her convict friends, "Cherie." Daughter of Lewis E. Lawes, warden of Sing Sing Prison, she was born within the walls of that penal institution, and up to three months ago had scarcely been outside of her town of Ossining.

Then came the call, the great call from Hollywood, and "Cherie" boarded the train for the film capital to enact her first and feared role in the Fox Movietone laugh riot, "Up the River."

The part she enacts in "Up the River," which is showing at the King's Theatre is exactly the role she plays in real life, that of the warden's daughter, who goes about spreading sunshine among the prisoners. The only difference is that at Sing Sing the prisoners are looked upon as being unfortunate, while in this hilarious movietone they consider themselves pretty lucky to be inmates of "good Old Benson."

"ALOHA"

"I'd rather you had become a wastrel and a beachcomber than to come home with a half-breed wife!" Those were the harsh words of Bradford, sen, when his son Jimmy introduced him to Ilanu, the beautiful half-native and half-white girl he had brought from the tropics to his aristocratic home in San Francisco.

And Jimmy's sister felt the same way—so did all of his blue blood friends, all that is, except Elaine,

the girl who knew the greatest heartache of all, because Jimmy and she had been sweethearts, until the tremendous allure of the dark-skinned, wild child of nature got the better of his good intentions.

What happens to Ilanu—a bird of paradise among ventures ready to tear her to pieces—in her gilded cage, where the ways of civilization are hard to comprehend, is told in "Aloha," the Tiffany production featuring Ben Lyon and Raquel Torres, now showing at the Central Theatre.

"BODY AND SOUL."

There was a time when Charles Farrell was never seen on the screen except in the company of that dainty star Janet Gaynor. They made their initial success together in "7th Heaven" and climbed side by side to stardom in "Street Angel," "Sunny Side Up" and "High Society Blues."

This season, however, Farrell has appeared with three different leading ladies, not counting Miss Gaynor, with whom he recently scored so heavily in "The Man Who Came Back." In "Body and Soul," which is coming to the King's Theatre tomorrow, Farrell's new leading lady is Elissa Landi, Miss Landi, who makes her American screen debut in this Fox Movietone drama, is the English actress who proved a real sensation in European films and on the Broadway stage previous to her coming to Hollywood.

In "Body and Soul," which was adapted from the stage play of Elton Whit Springs and A. E. Thomas, "Squardous" complications of a sensational nature follow the arrest of a young American officer in the R.F.C. during the World War, when he is accused of being in league as well as in love with a woman spy.

"THE DRUMS OF JEOPARDY."

A thriller of the first water is "The Drums of Jeopardy," the Tiffany production which is coming to the Central Theatre on Sunday. The picture not only slings thrills, terror and suspense around with an utter disregard for how much excitement you can stand, but it contains a neat blending of romance and comedy.

Warner Oland heads the cast in a typical Oland role—that of a man devoting all his time and a diabolical cunning to the destruction of a family, one member of which brought sorrow and death to his daughter.

"SHIPMATES."

Cliff Edwards and his famous ukulele bring forth a new song hit in "Shipmates," Metro-Goldwyn Mayer's first starring vehicle for Robert Montgomery, which will come on Sunday to the Queen's Theatre.

The new song number is titled, "I'm Looking for Someone to Care For," and was written by Roy Turk and Fred E. Ahlert, popular composers. Edwards sings the song as a musical background to the romantic love scenes between Montgomery and Dorothy Jordan, who plays opposite him in the picture.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the E.E. Telegraph Co. Office, Hong Kong:—
Mr. Alfredo Choy, Kowloon, from Cal.

Miss Frew, c/o Mackinnon Mackenzie, from Karachi.

S. LACK,

Manager.

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RADIO
TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Victor and H.M.V. Records kindly supplied by Messrs. Moutrie & Co.

7.03-7.29 p.m.—Talkie Tunes.
Hold Everything—Selection.
She's Funny That Way.

New Mayfair Orchestra (C1883).

Follow a Star—Vocal Gems.

Light Opera Co. (C2057).

Follow Through—Mildly.

Edgar Fairchild and Robert Lindholm (Pianoforte Duet) (B3182).

7.29-8 p.m.—Humorous Numbers.

Song—Fifty Lute, 1 Dumbo.

Wish Wynne with Pianoforte Accompaniment (B3039).

Song—The Drage Way.

Homes—Norman Long (B2257).

Dialogues—My Wireless Set.

John Henry and "Blossom" (B2155).

Song—The Empire Party Song.

Fat Flat Fish, Orchestra.

League Sundry with Orchestra (B3473).

Scotch Song—Bosk's O' the House.

Sir Harry Lauder with Orchestra (B3000).

8 p.m.—Local Time.

8.05-8.30 p.m.—Operatic.

Song—Behme-Addio! (Puccini).

Louise—Ever Since the Day (Chapin).

Lucresia Bori (Soprano) (B561).

Band—Selection (Gounod).

The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards (C1877).

Song—Andrea Chenier—The Enemy of His Country? (Giordano).

1/African—Admirator, Ruler of Ocean (Meyerbeer).

Titta Ruffa, Baritone (7153).

8.30-9.35 p.m.—

Symphony No. 9 in D Minor ("Choral") (Bethoven, Op. 125).

Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates (M-12).

9.35-10.15 p.m.—A Concert.

Song—Valley of Laughter—(Sanderson).

Bird of Love Divine (Haydn Wood).

Mavis Bennett (Soprano) (B2572).

Piano Solo—

Song of Love (Stepowski).

Reflections on the Water (Debussy).

Ignace Jan Paderewski (G633).

Vocal Duet—

Moon Enchanted (Besley).

The Thought Never Entered My Head (Novello).

Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham (B3276).

Song—

Oh! My Warriors (Elgar).

Song of the Flea (Moussorgsky).

Peter Dawson, Bass-Baritone (C1579).

Violin Solo—

Blor Skies (Berlin-Kreisler).

Dance of the Maidens (Prinz-Kreisler).

Fritz Kreisler (1233).

10.15-10.23 p.m.—Organ Solos.

In the Heart of the Sunset (Nicholls).

Forever (Age) Reginald Foot (B3614).

Sylvan Scenes (Fletcher).

H. Vincent Collier.

Now I'm in Love (from "Darling")

Love You—Yellen & Shapiro).

Reginald Foot (B3361).

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

THE RIGHT TO A HOLIDAY.

A wife told Mr. Hay Halkett, the Marylebone magistrate, that she had an opportunity of going with her three children for a fortnight's holiday in the country, but that her husband objected, and threatened that if she went he would refuse to take her back.

The magistrate said that it was an unreasonable thing to prevent a wife having a holiday. If the wife could not talk her husband over, the best thing was for her to go and take the consequences. If the husband refused to take her back he would be guilty of desertion.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED
IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre:

"Up the River."

To-day—Queen's Theatre:

"Almost a Honeymoon."

To-day—Central Theatre:

"Aloha."

To-day—Majestic Theatre:

"Don't Bet On Women."

To-day—Star Theatre:

"They Learned About Women."

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 5.

Home Malls.

To-day—Outward for Europe via Suez (Terukuni Maru), 6 p.m.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Suez (Katori Maru); Outward for Europe via Siberia (President Taft), 5 p.m.

Lammert's Auction.

September 21—At 166, The Peak, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

WATER RETURN.

Most Reservoirs on
Island Below Level.

The level and storage of water in the reservoirs on September 1, 1931, was as under:

City and Hill District.

1930 1931

Tytam 5'10" B 4' 3" B

Tytam Byewash 18' 8" B 19' 10" B

Tytam Intermediate L L

Tytam Tuk 1' 2" B L

Wong Nei Chung 10' 8" B 4' 9" B

Pokfulam 12' 8" B 3' 10" B

Aberdeen Upper 31' 7" B

[Note: B denotes "Below Over flow"; A denotes "Above Over flow"; L denotes "Level with Over flow".]

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

1930 1931

Tytam 336.46 349.36

Tytam Byewash 3.48 2.80

Tytam Intermediate 195.50 195.50

Tytam Tuk 1,399.92 1,419.00

Wong Nei Chung 12.40 22.10

Pokfulam 38.68 57.66

Aberdeen Upper 55.66

Total 1,977.84 2,102.48

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of August, 1931.

1930 1931

Consumption 383.00 396.22

Estimated population 445,300 380,760

Consumption per head per day 27.8 38.6

Includes 75.91 million gallons from Mainland.

Includes 60.42 million gallons from Mainland.

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Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

1930 1931

Kowloon Main 307.50 352.50

Kowloon Byewash 185.50

Shik Lai Pui Reservoir 116.10 116.10

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1930 1931

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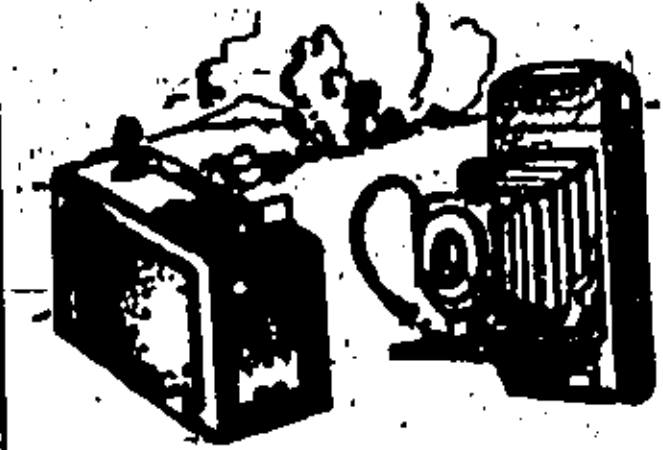
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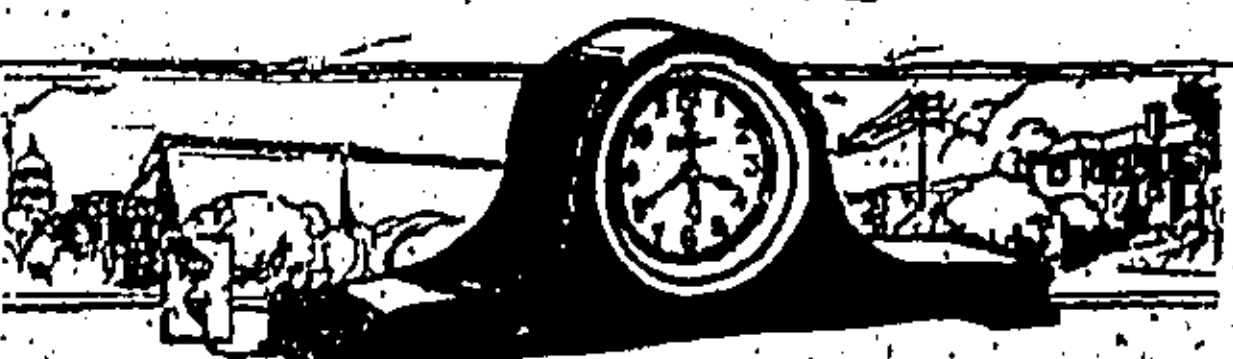
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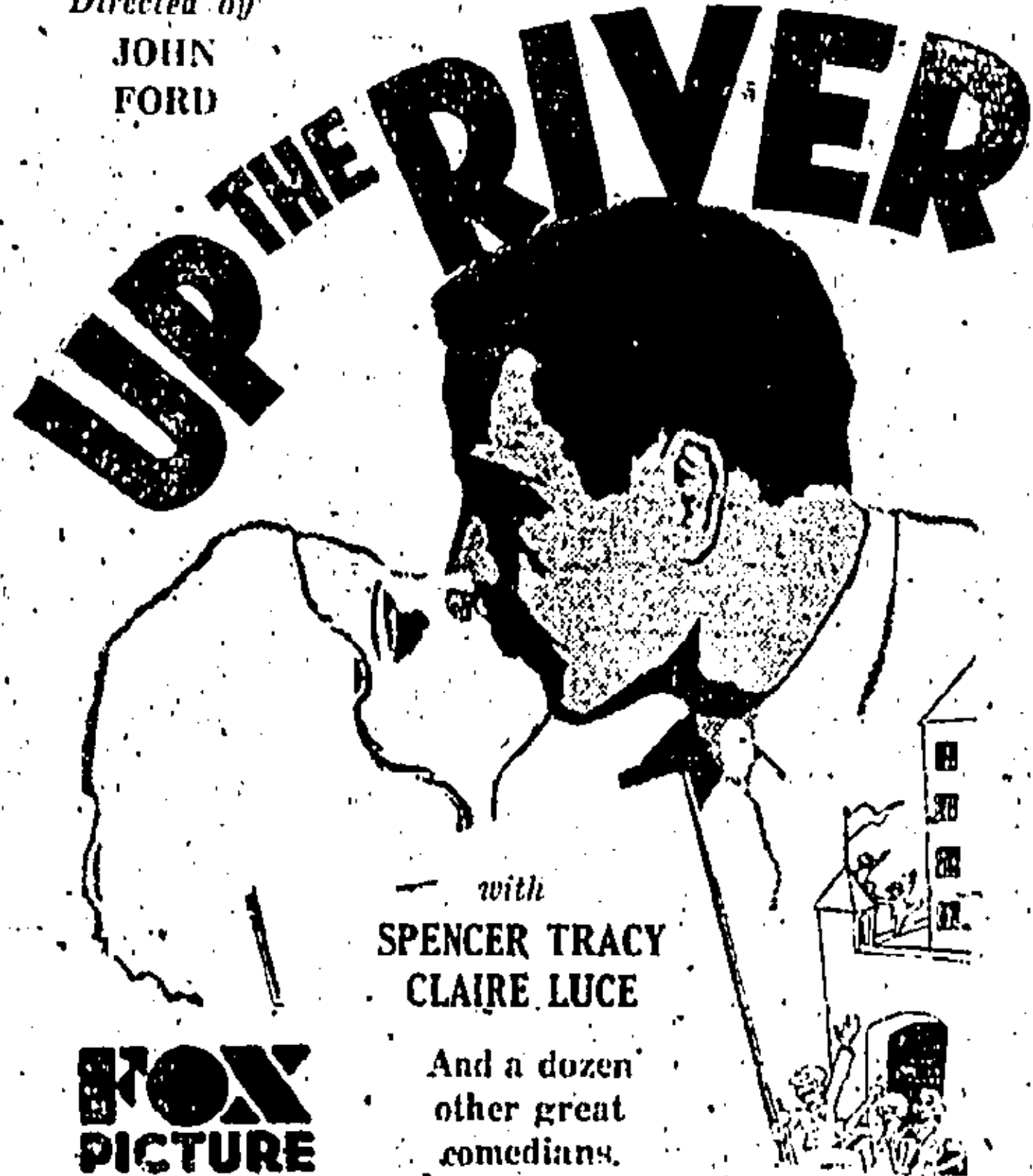
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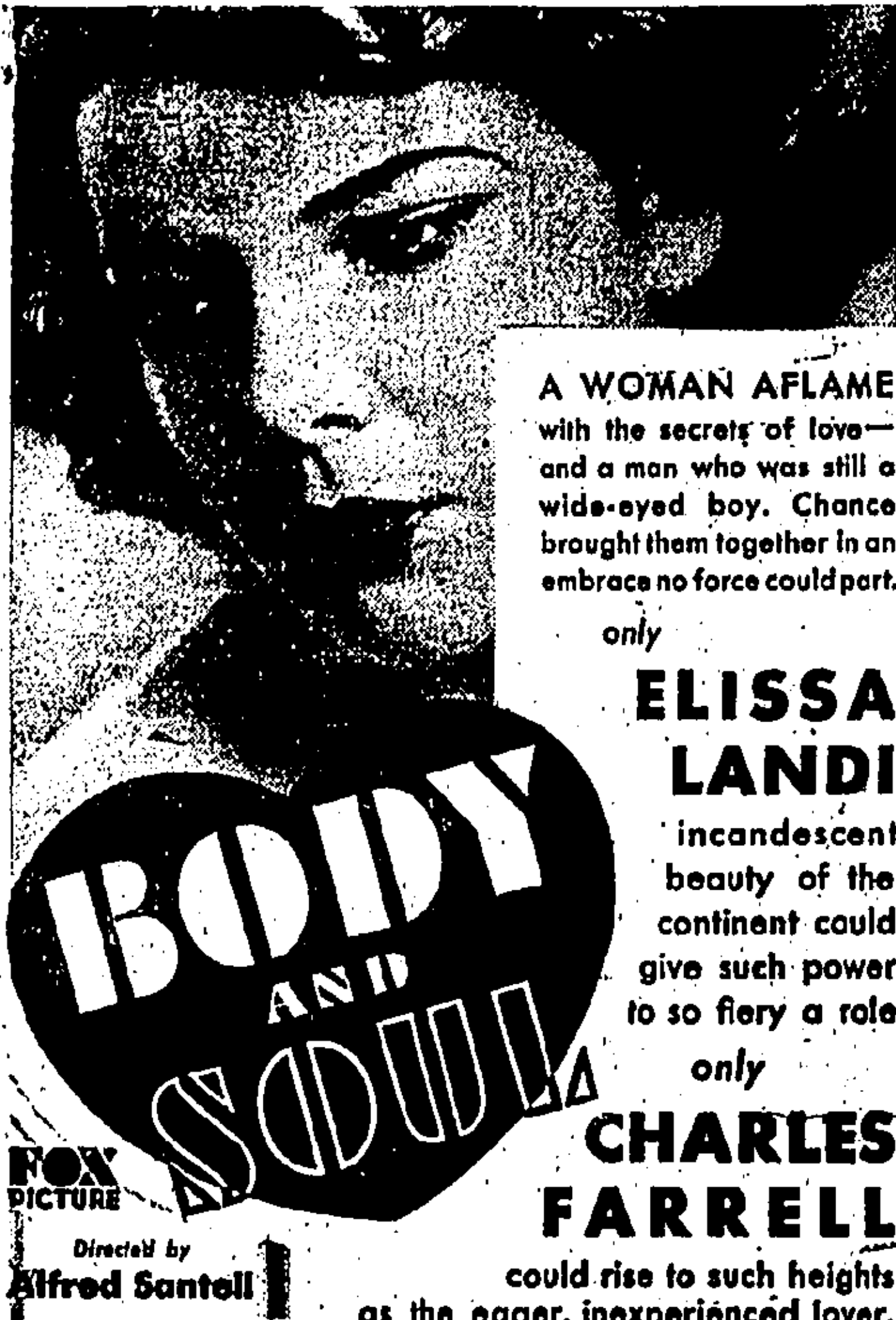


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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

CHARITY FOOTBALL TO-MORROW.

Combined Services to
Play South China.

BIG ATTENDANCE HOPED.

Football enthusiasts will have an excellent opportunity of judging the class of football likely to be encountered this season when the South China Athletic meet a Combined Services XI in a charity match on the Club ground to-morrow. His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., has kindly consented to 'kick-off' at 4.30 p.m., and, judging by the enthusiasm aroused, a record gate is anticipated.

It is unnecessary to eulogise on the merits of the South China team. Their record in the League and Challenge Shield matches is still fresh in our minds, whilst their overwhelming success in the games played during their recent tour is shown by the fact that out of 20 games played, 17 were won and the remaining 3 drawn, an achievement of which any team might be justly proud.

We can always rely upon good football from the Services. The interest which the authorities take in this favourite sport and the keenness with which the men enter into the game are indications of the high standard reached. With the absence of most of the Fleet in northern waters the majority of the Services team have been drawn from the Army, but the selection is nevertheless a good one, and a very interesting match should ensue.

The proceeds of the game are to be divided between the Kwangtung Flood Relief Fund and the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home. The money received by the former charity will be devoted to relief of the distressed in the devastated areas of the Kwangtung Province, which have suffered so severely in the recent floods; and the proportion allocated to the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home will go in its entirety toward the work which is being undertaken for Service men, a work which has on many occasions received the commendation of Government officials as well as the respect and praise of the Naval and Military authorities.

It is hoped that the generous support of the public, which has in the past been so unselfishly forthcoming, will be manifest on this occasion and thus assure financial assistance toward the objects for which the match has been arranged.

South China Athletic.

Goal—Pau Ka-ping; Right Back—Li Tin-sang; Left Back—Tam Kwong-pak; Right Half—Leung Yin-chen; Centre Half—Leung Wing-chiu; Left Half—Tong Kwai; Right Wing—Cheung Siu-hong; Inside Right—Chu Kwok-lun; Centre Forward—Fung King-cheung; Inside Left—Lee Wai-tong; Left Wing—Ip Pak-wa.

Combined Services.

Goal—A.B. Savage (Seraph); Right Back—L/Cpl. Mullane (S.W.B.); Left Back—Pte. Henderson (A. & S.H.); Right Half—Cpl. Hay (A. & S.H.); Centre Half—Pte. Eynon (S.W.B.); Left Half—L/Sgt. Gardner (R.A.); Right Wing—Pte. Hughes (A. & S.H.); Inside Right—C. S. M. McTavish (A. & S.H., Captain); Centre Forward—Pte. Loudon (A. & S.H.); Inside Left—S.B.A. Rawson (R.N. Hospital); Left Wing—A.S. Dickson (Seraph).

Referee—Mr. J. W. Baldwin.

Linesmen—Sergt. G. Caswell, R.A. and A. B. Godeall, R.N.

There are really some very silly governing bodies in sport. Perhaps the silliest of them all is the Amateur Rowing Association, which, to all intents and purposes, debar an artisan from rowing at Henley. And perhaps the charge of silliness cannot quite be avoided by the Board of Control in boxing. Control is a good word when it is lived up to—but this Board of Control does not control much. —Frank Foxon.

SOUTHEND UNITED SUCCESSFUL.

Undeclared Record
Still Good.

London, Yesterday.
The following was the result of the only League match played to-day as cabled by Reuter:—

Third Division (South).

Thames 1 Southend U. 3

Table to Date.	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Fulham	6	5	0	1	25	11	10
Bournemouth	6	4	2	0	14	6	10
Southend U.	6	4	2	0	12	4	10
Crystal Pal.	6	4	1	1	17	8	9
Watford	6	4	0	2	20	14	8
Brentford	5	3	1	1	9	8	7
Luton T.	5	3	0	3	10	9	6
Cardiff C.	6	2	2	2	14	7	6
Bristol R.	6	2	2	2	13	11	6
Brighton	6	2	2	2	6	9	6
Northampton	6	2	2	2	5	6	6
Reading	5	2	1	2	8	11	5
Mansfield T.	6	2	1	3	10	17	5
Clapton O.	6	2	1	3	9	8	5
Exeter C.	6	2	1	3	8	11	5
Swindon	6	2	0	4	13	13	4
Coveytry C.	6	2	0	4	10	18	4
Norwich C.	6	1	2	3	7	8	4
Thames	6	1	1	3	6	8	4

HOME FOOTBALL.

To-morrow's League
Fixtures.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

First Division.

Birmingham	v.	Sheffield U.
Bolton W.	v.	Middlesbro'
Chelsea	v.	Aston Villa
Derby C.	v.	Portsmouth
Grimsby T.	v.	Leicester C.
Liverpool	v.	Everton
Manchester C.	v.	Arsenal
Wednesday	v.	Huddersfield
Sunderland	v.	Blackpool
West Brom.	v.	Blackburn R.
West Ham	v.	Newcastle U.

Second Division.

Bradford C.	v.	Bristol City
Burnley	v.	Wolves
Chesterfield	v.	Bradford
Leeds U.	v.	Plymouth A.
Millwall	v.	Oldham A.
Notts Forest	v.	Manchester U.
Port Vale	v.	Bury
Preston N.E.	v.	Charlton A.
Southampton	v.	Stoke City
Swansea T.	v.	Notts Cnty.
Tottenham	v.	Barnsley

Third Division (South).

Bournemouth	v.	Crystal Pal.
Bristol R.	v.	Mansfield T.
Cardiff C.	v.	Fulham
Clapton O.	v.	Norwich C.
Coveytry C.	v.	Exeter C.
Gillingham	v.	Brentford
Luton T.	v.	Thames
Northampton	v.	Southend
Queen's P.R.	v.	Watford
Swindon	v.	Reading
Torquay U.	v.	Brighton

Third Division (North).

Accrington S.	v.	York C.
Carlisle U.	v.	Doncaster R.
Crewe A.	v.	Rochdale
Darlington	v.	Wigan Boro'
Gateshead	v.	Lincoln C.
Halifax	v.	Hartlepool
New Brighton	v.	Hull C.
Rotherham	v.	Barrow
Stockport C.	v.	Tranmere R.
Walsall	v.	Chester
Wrexham	v.	Southport

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

First Division.

Aberdeen	v.	Ayr U.
Clyde	v.	Motherwell
Dundee Un.	v.	St. Mirren
Falkirk	v.	Third Lanark
Hamilton A.	v.	Partick T.
Kilmarnock	v.	Cowdenbeath
Leith Ath.	v.	Dundee
Morton	v.	Celtic
Queen's Park	v.	Hearts
Rangers	v.	Airdrieonians

I think it is a safe golf rule, especially for a beginner, to 'cut out the fiddle' as much as possible from his or her game. Therefore I would advise that the 'two-v' grip has the merit of being far the easiest to learn, and also the simplest to discard. If one wishes to change over to another grip later on.—Diana Fishwick.

"B" CHAMPIONSHIP DECIDED.

Chinese Recreation Club
Successful.

M.B.K. WIN AND LOSE.

At the K.C.C. yesterday the Kowloon Cricket Club beat the M.B.K. by 5 sets to 4 in the "A" Division of the Lawn Tennis League.

Scores:—
E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher (K.C.C.):—
beat Honda and Akiyama 6-3
beat Hachiuma and Yema 6-2
beat Imura and Fujimori 6-1

Guest and Millard (K.C.C.):—
lost to Honda and Akiyama 3-6
beat Hachiuma and Yema 6-1
lost to Imura and Fujimori 3-6

Grose and Hyde (K.C.C.):—
lost to Honda and Akiyama 5-7
lost to Hachiuma and Yema 4-6
lost to Imura and Fujimori 5-7

"B" DIVISION.

C.R.C. Champions.
By defeating the University by 7 sets to 2 the Chinese Recreation Club won the "B" Division Championship.

Scores:—
Yew Man-kit and Ho Ka-lau (C.R.C.):—
beat D. J. N. Anderson and Y. F. Chew 7-5
beat G. E. Yeoh and Y. K. Ng 7-5
beat F. Y. Khoo and T. K. Lien 6-3

W. C. Hung and Chiu Chun-chiu (C.R.C.):—
beat D. J. N. Anderson and Y. F. Chew 6-4
beat G. E. Yeoh and Y. K. Ng 6-3
beat F. Y. Khoo and T. K. Lien 6-2

H. Lo and Lu Tak-cheuk (C.R.C.):—
beat D. J. N. Anderson and Y. F. Chew 6-0
lost to G. E. Yeoh and Y. K. Ng 5-7
lost to F. Y. Khoo and T. K. Lien 3-6

M.B.K. Convince.
At the K.C.C. yesterday the M.B.K. beat the Kowloon Cricket Club by 7 sets to 2 in the "B" Division.

Scores:—
Hamby and Zimmern (Kowloon C.C.):—
lost to Fukushima and Matsuo 3-6
draw with Nakamura and Johchi 6-6
beat Edo and Niki 6-2

Brown and Skinner (Kowloon C.C.):—
lost to Fukushima and Matsuo 3-6
draw with Nakamura and Johchi 6-6
lost to Edo and Niki 3-6

Capell and Carroll (Kowloon C.C.):—
lost to Fukushima and Matsuo 2-6
lost to Nakamura and Johchi 3-6
lost to Edo and Niki 4-6

League Table to Date.

Table to Date.	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Revelo	11	0	0	2	34	15	15
Chinese R.C.	10	10	0	0	71	16	20
C.C.C.	11	8	0	3	60	39	18
University	11	6	1	4	64	35	13
C.S.C.C.	10	5	2	3	48	48	12
H.K.C.C.	11	5	2	4	61	48	12
Indian R.C.	10	5	1	4	46	44	11
Army T.C.	10	4	0	6	42	45	8
K.C.C.	11	2	0	9	20	69	4
M.B.K.	8	2	0	6	20	48	4
S. China	8	1	0	7	25	47	2
Nippon C.	11	1	0	10	30	68	2

Which body of sports rulers comes in for the most abuse? I would have no hesitancy at all in awarding the palm to the Lawn Tennis Association—and yet the members of the Council are well-meaning men who are probably kind to animals and not drug addicts. But it would seem a simple impossibility for the L.T.A. to do anything remotely sensible if we are to believe their legion of critics.—Frank Foxon.

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CLAPTON ORIENT TO CARRY ON.

Amicable Settlement of Arsenal Problem.

E. A. GRANT TO CANADA.

London, August 25. The Council of the Football Association held in London yesterday. The chief business before the meeting was the report of the commission appointed to consider the case of the Clapton Orient club, which is now able to continue its career under the Football League. The report submitted read:

The Management Committee of the Football League further gave consideration to the proposed scheme submitted by the debenture-holders for reconstruction of the Clapton Orient Football Club which was not accepted by the Commission of the F.A. which had considered the scheme, and ultimately the committee made a suggestion that the club should be continued by the receiver with an advisory committee consisting of three representatives of the board of directors of the Clapton Orient Football Club, a representative of the Clapton Orient Supporters' Club, and two representatives to be nominated by the debenture-holders—such representative not to be directors of the club holding debentures, the receiver to act as chairman. The proposal was submitted to four members of the Clapton Orient club, the secretary-manager of the club, a director, Mr. Herbert Chapman on behalf of the debenture-holders, and the receiver acting on behalf of the debenture-holders, all of whom accepted the proposal made by the committee. As soon as the club can clear of the indebtedness under the debentures the receiver will withdraw and the management of the Clapton Orient club revert to the Clapton Orient club directors. The Management Committee of the Football League unanimously accepted and approved the above arrangement for the continuance of the club. The Commission, having considered the above report, approved the same.

A hearty welcome was extended by the Council to its representatives on their return from the Canadian tour. Suitable addresses on vellum and gold medals are to be presented to Mr. C. W. Brown and Mr. H. J. Hubbard, also an international cap to each of the players, together with a further grant of £10 towards their expenses of the trip. A grant of £50 to T. Whitaker, the team attendant, was authorised, and arrangements have been made to hold a complimentary dinner to the tourists in London on October 12. On the recommendation of the International Selection Committee the Council decided that a

grant of £1,000 be made to the Dominion of Canada F.A. towards the expenses of the tour.

James Re-Signs for Arsenal. Alce James, the famous Arsenal and Scottish international forward, re-signed for Arsenal yesterday—James's refusal to sign again for the League champions earlier than yesterday was brought about because he could not agree to the terms offered by the High-bury club. It is understood, however, that the wages offered were the maximum allowed under the rules.

James did not sign again for the Arsenal when the 1930-31 season ended last May. He had business offers which he desired to consider. He had no quarrel with Arsenal as regards terms, as he was aware that they were the maximum the club were empowered to make.

All this summer there has been wide discussion on James's future. Rumour has associated his name with clubs as far away as the United States.

There are several years of first-class football ahead of James. He has had long experience of League football, both in England and in Scotland, but he is still under 30 years of age.

The "wee Scottish wizard," who was born in Glasgow, showed an aptitude for the game as a boy. As a youth he played for Glasgow Ashfield.

In 1922 he made his debut in Scottish League football with Raith Rovers, and was a member of the Rovers' forward line, for which Millwall made their sensational wholesale offer two or three seasons later.

Preston North End secured his transfer from the Scottish club early in the 1925-6 season, and James quickly made his mark in English League football. His remarkable ball control, his unorthodox methods, and his personality made him one of the outstanding forwards in the game.

Mr. Herbert Chapman, manager of the Arsenal F.C., secured his services after the end of the 1928-9 season for a transfer fee just under £10,000.

In his two seasons with Arsenal James has played a leading role in the bringing of the two greatest honours of the Association game—the English Cup and the League Championship—to London.

Cameron for Tottenham. Tottenham Hotspur yesterday obtained the signature of J. W. Cameron, the former Vale of Clyde centre forward, whose registration with Arsenal was cancelled by the Football Association last week. The original transfer of Cameron to Arsenal for £675 was objected to by Portsmouth F.C. who claimed they had a prior right to the player's services. As the result of a joint commission of the Football Association and the Football League, it was decided that Cameron should not be a registered player for either Arsenal or Portsmouth.

SURREY ANNOUNCE ECONOMY.

Six Professionals to Be Discharged.

DUCAT AND PEACH.

The serious effect which the bad weather this season has had on the finances of county cricket clubs in England and Wales is emphasised by a statement issued by the Surrey C.C.C. in which it is announced that the engagements of six professionals will not be renewed.

Surrey might have been expected to weather the storm better than many other counties that have not so large a population to draw upon for "gates."

But, faced with the prospect of a serious deficit at the end of the year, Surrey recently appointed a special committee to inquire into the possibilities of effecting economies.

This committee recommended that a saving of at least £2,000 should be made, and their recommendations included, among other economies:

A reduction in the number of professionals engaged on the staff, and
A limitation of second eleven and club and ground matches to eight and fourteen, respectively.

Acting on the report, the General Committee decided that the engagements of six professionals, including A. Ducat and A. Peach, should not be renewed, the preference being given to younger players in the interests of future Surrey cricket.

The committee recognised that Ducat and Peach have rendered great services to the club. Both have received benefits.

Ducat, who is 45 years of age, and Peach, who is in his 41st year, both joined the Surrey staff before the war. The former, who is a most dependable batsman, first played for the county in 1906. He is one of the few men who have represented England at cricket and Association football. He played against the Australians in the Test match at Leeds in 1921, and during his football career—with the Arsenal, Aston Villa, and Fulham—gained six international caps.

Peach, who joined Surrey in 1912, has been a regular member of the first XI since 1919. A good right-hand bowler and fearless batsman, he has rendered the county excellent service. He once took four wickets

RACING OWNERS' DENIAL.

Live Rabbits Not Made Use of

INHUMAN PRACTICE.

Greyhound owners who enter dogs at meetings under recognised rules stated that they never use live rabbits to develop the hunting instincts of their hounds. They were replying to an allegation made by a solicitor in a poaching case at Chesham that a rather low and "loathsome industry" had grown up of supplying live rabbits to greyhound trainers for the purpose of keeping up the keenness of the greyhounds.

Captain W. J. Neilson, the director of racing at West Ham, said that such methods of training were never adopted at that track, and it was one of his most stringent rules that any trainer found guilty of such inhumane practice was liable to instant dismissal and to be reported to the National Greyhound Racing Club.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

CRICKET—To-morrow—Inter-Club Match at the K.C.C.

FOOTBALL—To-morrow—Combined Services v. South China, 4.30 p.m.

AQUATICS—To-morrow—Police Sports at the V.R.C.

BOAT RACING—To-morrow—Second Division—Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. Yacht Club v. H.K. Electric R.C.

MEETING—To-morrow—I.R.C. Annual Meeting.

ABROAD.

YACHTING—To-day—U.S. President's Cup at Annapolis.

FOOTBALL—To-morrow—Full English and Scottish League programme.

With four balls against Sussex at the Oval in 1924.

Ducat says he thought he would have at least one more summer at the Oval. Nothing definite was said until very recently, and as a consequence he has turned down two offers for next season—one of them a coaching appointment at Aldermaston School and the other an engagement with the Colne club.

THE CHANNEL NOW "WALKED."

Austrian Crosses on Skis.

PLUCKY FINISH.

An Austrian schoolmaster, Karl Naumestnik, has "walked" the English Channel on water skis, between Cap Grisnez and Dover, in 38 50 min.

When he stepped ashore at Shakespear Beach, off the Lord Warden Hotel, at 4.20 p.m. and only in a pair of black shorts and a thin vest, he was loudly cheered by a throng of visitors.

He was exhausted by his efforts in a rough sea, and had taken no food during his journey owing to his fear of sea-sickness.

Naumestnik left Cap Grisnez at 7.30 a.m. on skis, like two small canoes, connected with wooden slips, which moved backwards and forwards, and he propelled himself with a double-bladed paddle.

He was accompanied by a motor fishing boat flying the French flag. When sighted from the English coast at about 1 a.m., going towards Folkestone, it was thought he would have to give in, owing to the sharp south-east wind knocking up a heavy sea, which broke over the fishing boat.

Karl continued to make headway, however, and went up Channel well on the flood tide. At a quarter to four he seemed to be making for the western entrance to the harbour.

As he neared the shore he could be seen squatting on his skis and working hard with his paddle. It was impossible for him to stand owing to the rough seas.

Unable to make the entrance, Naumestnik came into smooth water at the west side of the Admiralty pier and then stood up and paddled to the beach.

As he stepped ashore he staggered and pointed to the sky, apparently meaning that the sun had been strong, and made signs that he was thirsty (he does not speak English). Later he was given tea and supplied with clothes, and was allowed by the immigration authorities to stay the night in Dover.

Naumestnik said that the machine was his own invention. With two other Austrians, Robert Liebhart and Hans Konrad, he failed at the first attempt to cross on August 14, and had to be rescued

by fishermen. Liebhart and Konrad are still waiting for better weather conditions.

The Channel.

Since Julius Caesar crossed the Channel in 55 B.C. the celebrated stretch of water has been conquered in a variety of ways.

A steamer has sailed from Dover to Calais in 53 min., an aeroplane makes the return journey in 10 1/2 min., and only this summer it was successfully glided in both directions by Herr Kronfeld, the German gliding expert, writes the Daily Telegraph correspondent. He made one crossing in under an hour.

Capt. Webb swam across in 1875, but the fastest cross-Channel swim was made in 1923 by S. Tiraboschi in 16 hr. 52 min.

The first air crossing was made in a balloon by M. Blanchard in 1785. In 1909 M. Bleriot made the first aeroplane flight from France to England.

In 1929 Mr. H. S. Perry crossed from Dover to Calais and back in 7 hr. 25 min. in a motor-cycle fitted with floats and a propeller driven from the rear box.

In 1927 M. Rene Savard took 6 1/2 hr. to get from Calais to Dover on a water pedal cycle, and in 1928 Vence Lach (a Czech) paddled across in a canoe. When he repeated his attempt last year he nearly lost his life.

In August, 1930, Mr. C. W. Mason, a Dover man, managed to row across the Channel and back in a 15 ft. punt. Last April a young English couple, Miss Gladys Clement and Mr. Richard Cole, crossed in a motor dinghy.

Submarines have gone across as far as the depth of water permitted them, and a Canadian diver has suggested walking across on the sea bottom.

GOLF.

Starting Times for Sunday.

The Secretary of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club supplies the following list of starting times for Fanning on Sunday:

9.20 a.m. E. B. Gammel, R. H. Griffiths.
9.24 " E. P. White, H. H. Mundy.
9.28 " I. H. Geate, J. K. MacFarlan.
9.32 " Capt. Anderson, O. Eager.
9.36 " D. J. Gilmore, R. K. Hepburn.
9.40 " A. D. Humphreys, T. S. Whyte-Smith.
9.44 " G. T. May, H. T. Buxton.
9.48 " E. R. West, D. B. Evans.
9.52 " A. Leach, W. R. Vallancey.
9.56 " E. T. E. Nash, G. H. Bond.
10.00 " W. C. Haley, W. D. Harris.
10.04 " J. E. Richardson, R. M.

HOCKEY SEASON COMMENCES.

Y.M.C.A. Second Eleven Well Beaten.

WIN FOR RADIO.

The Y.M.C.A. second eleven opened their hockey season yesterday with a defeat at the hands of the Radio Sports Club at King's Park. The visitors scored four times in the first half without reply, and fully deserved their lead. They were much the superior team. In the second half there was no further scoring though desperate attempts by the "Y" forwards went very close to reducing the arrears. The game, however, lost a good deal of interest in the second half, the Radio players being content to rest on their laurels.

The close passing tactics of the Radio forwards played havoc with the Y.M.C.A. defence and the hard and accurate hitting of the visiting backs kept their forwards well in check.

Gilchrist played a very good game at centre-half and was largely responsible for the many dangerous raids on the "Y" goal. For the Y.M.C.A. two players were outstanding, F. S. W. Smith and H. H. Muller. Smith played a very sound game in defence but he must learn to play to the whistle. Muller on the left wing tried hard to give the inside forwards an opportunity inside the circle, but his efforts were wasted on account of the perfect timing of shots by the visiting defence.

Result:—
Radio S.C. 4
Y.M.C.A. II. 0
The Y.M.C.A. were represented by the following:—L. D. Skinner, A. Tate, F. S. W. Smith, S. A. Sweet, R. A. Bates (captain), G. Mitchell, J. J. Ferguson, A. R. Brown, W. H. Smith, L. Macey, and H. H. Muller.

When retrieving a long shot on the backhand and you are forced to bend considerably to get the ball back, it helps immeasurably if you remember to keep the left arm extended behind you.—Miss Helen Jacobs.

Wood.
10.08 " A. J. R. Wolff, H. Lowe.
10.12 " Alan Reid, D. S. Robb.
10.16 " H. W. Duley, I. G. Allison.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

Members are reminded of the qualifying rounds, to decide the Club's entries for the Championship of the Colony. These will be played off over the Kowloon course of Sunday September 20 and Sunday, September 27. Members taking part are requested to arrange their own partners.

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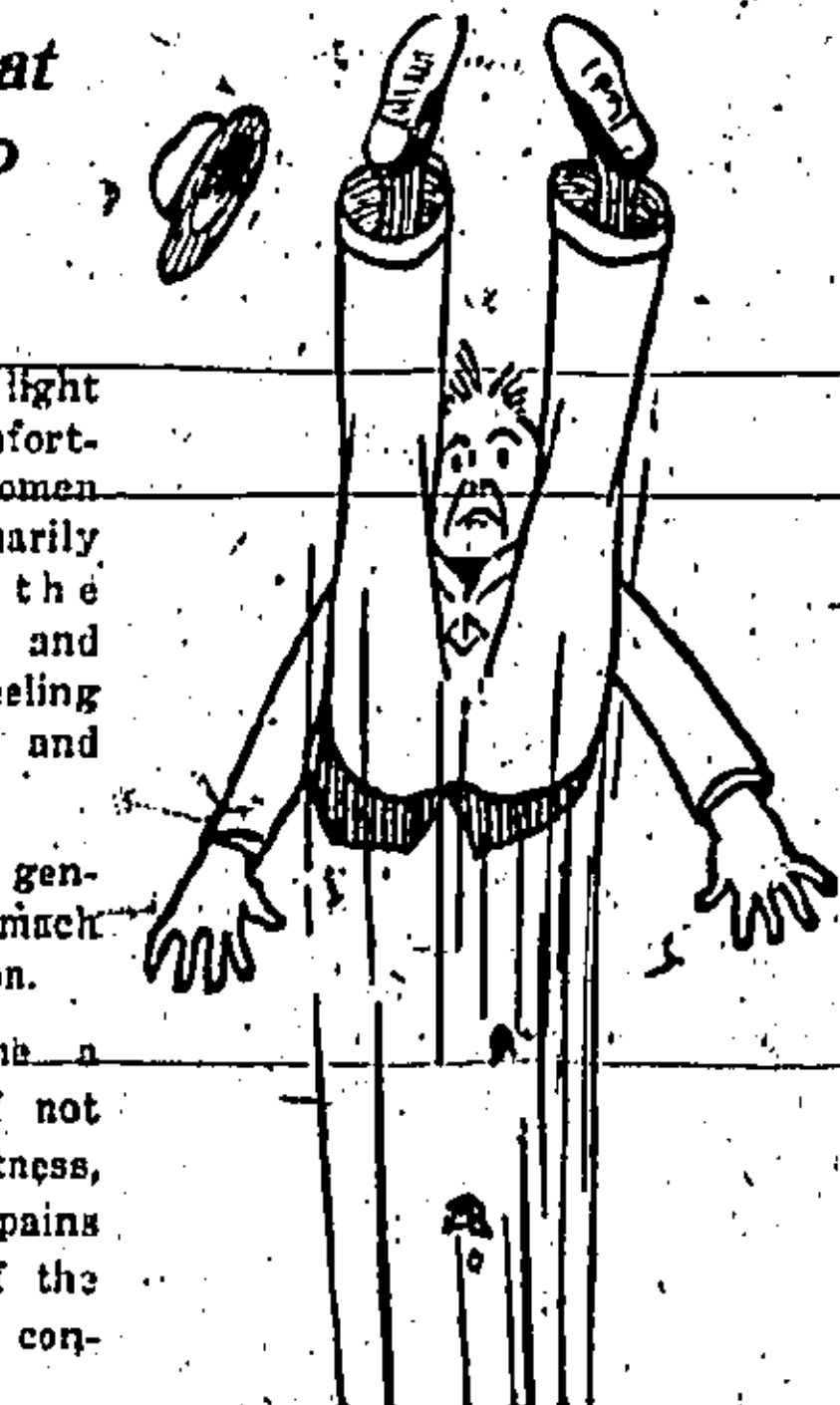
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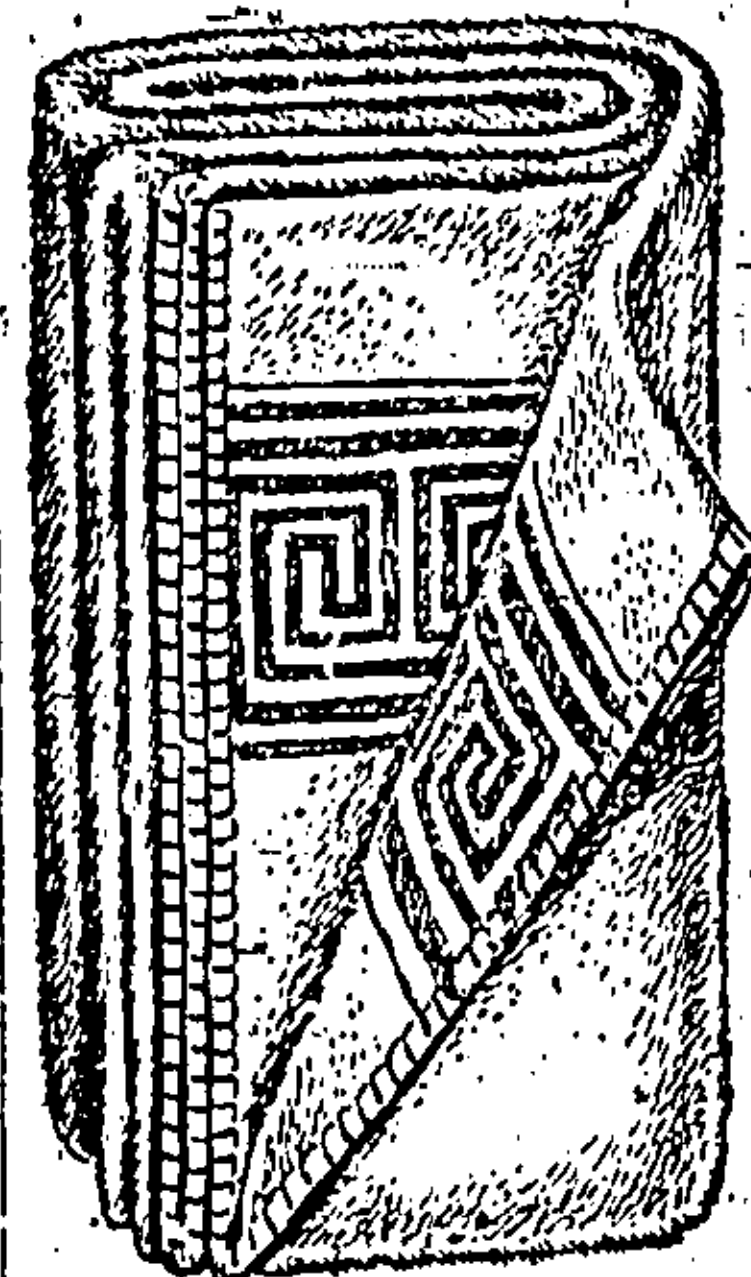
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Hong Kong, Friday, Sept. 18, 1931.

Where Will It All End?

It appears that, unconsciously or unwittingly, we were almost prophetic in our article on Tuesday dealing with ways and means of raising revenue to balance the Budget. We stated, in effect, that little reliance could be placed on official hopes of no increased rates and taxes if the Government had its eye all the time on other sources from which to extort extra revenue. And we asked: "Where will it all end?" The answer—"Nowhere"—comes much speedier than we imagined when penning our comments on Tuesday. The fresh blow descended yesterday! Cigarettes, tobacco, light oils, and perfumery and toilet articles with a certain percentage of alcohol have been called upon to contribute their "mite" to the coffers of the Treasury. Always tobacco and cigarettes or tobacco, cigarettes, and liquors! "Where will it all end?"

Were retailers to pass on to the consuming public only the difference between the old and the new duties, the position would not be so bad; but they go further for the sake of raising their own profits. That has been done in the past. It is being done to-day under the increased scale of duties. Profit-taking is rampant at the expense of loyal citizens who would willingly meet some, at least, of the increased levies if retailers did not make the burden heavier through a spirit of sheer greed.

As before, it is useless suggesting either the formation of a Retail Price-Fixing Board or a warning from manufacturers to proscribe retailers selling their wares above a fixed standard price. The Government expects its pound of flesh and sees that it gets it, irrespective of whether the community is being unnecessarily bled in the process. Manufacturers do not mind the heavier imposts so long as these are passed on to middlemen and retailers, heedless whether the

actual consumers are made the victims of profiteers.

The Government is not alone the steward of the community; it is its administrative protector. It has other inherent functions besides legislating and balancing Budgets. As the Malays say more expressively in their own soft language, the Government is the father, mother, and uncle of the governed. The people naturally look to it to redress wrongs, mitigate hardships, and relieve distress. Where burdens are unnecessarily made heavier through the wiles of profiteers, it is the Government, to whom the victims look for measures to remedy the situation. The Government cannot sit back all the time and pretend that its only role is that of tax collector. On the occasion of past increases in duties the facts have been moderately and reasonably pointed out to the authorities, only to be met with an icy douche. When the liquor and tobacco duty increases received the formal approval of the Legislative Council on February 26—after the Order in Council had actually become operative—the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga voiced an objection to dealers and retailers putting up prices to the consumer "in anticipation of the new scale." Therein, he was technically incorrect for, as he was promptly reminded by the Governor, the increased duties had already taken effect, whilst the opinion was hazarded by the Governor that wine dealers were entitled to protect themselves.

Not one official word of sympathy for the hapless consumers left to the mercy of conscienceless retailers! Importers and the large stores of repute have been noted for their fairness in matters of this kind; but the Colony is honeycombed with small shops and street stalls, the owners of which ever see an increase in duty a splendid opportunity to add a little extra "squeeze" for their own pockets. Were any of the Unofficial members to make representations in the Legislative Council, most probably they would be told that retailers are entitled to protect themselves. Which, of course, they are not in a position

to do, beyond either refraining altogether from buying certain taxable wares or curtailing their requirements. And that effect, in turn, would ultimately assist to defeat the whole object of the Government—that of securing additional revenue by means of increased duties. But—if the Government persistently closes its eyes to the evils of profiteering as a result of its action, what else can it expect? Where is its claim to be described as a "benevolent" autocracy? "Where will it all end?"

From Other Pens.

Reduced Circumstances.

A report from Berlin states that the ex-Kaiser has lost \$15,000 in the collapse of a building society whose difficulties became public recently. It suggests a sad decline in the affairs of the former War Lord. Since he has lost his throne and everything else that once must have made life worth living for a very fifth-rate type of character, perhaps it doesn't matter very much what else he loses—and yet losses in mere building societies are decidedly out of the picture. One feels that a Hohenzollern, however reduced, ought not to be in a building society at all—any more than he ought to be paying club money or winning a prize in a suburban bowling handicap. There is something so terribly bourgeois about a building society—one feels that ex-Emperors ought to be hit by nothing less magnificent than a first-class bank smash.

However, there was a time about twelve years ago when a good many people were very anxious to hit the investor of Doorn just as hard as they could—in fact, they wanted to hang him as a sort of hors-d'œuvre to the forthcoming reign of peace and plenty. In that amiable intention they were presently foiled, in spite of support from Mr. Lloyd George and the Coalition Government, but if their mood has become milder with the passage of years perhaps they will now be satisfied with the news that the modern Machiavel is reduced to putting his money in building societies and losing it. —Manchester Guardian.

Fallen by the Wayside.

Few of those who grin at an old motor-car or a photograph of one realise what a very large number of rackets have fallen by the wayside during the evolution of the petrol car which seems so perfect to-day—as the quaint Heath-Robinsonian models of pre-war years seemed, too, in their day. A recent inquiry undertaken in the United States shows that some fifty makes of modern American car are the survivors of no fewer than about 1,800 that have flourished since the nineties. Many of these were steam or electric.

Attention is drawn to this mortality by American financial houses in connection with the recklessness with which the public over there is pitching money into the several hundred concerns now making aeroplanes, with or without safety guarantee. Every little maker and his backers see themselves as another Wright or Glenn Curtiss group of pioneers evolving the perfect plane, but a good deal of money disappears in the process of disillusionment. —Manchester Guardian.

The Shakespeare Label.

The Great Western Railway Company has produced an outside and novel luggage label. Printed in yellow and black, it is almost four times the size of an ordinary sticking slip, and half the space is occupied with the head of William Shakespeare. The words "Passenger by Shakespeare express London to Stratford-on-Avon" will in future indicate to many envious eyes overseas that the man with the labelled luggage has made the great pilgrimage. Lots of other people travel to Stratford by the Shakespeare express, but Paddington Station makes no secret of the fact that the label is meant especially for Americans.

There was a time some years ago when the British railways complained that the habit of leaving old labels on trunks and suitcases was a nuisance to the porters and delayed their work. Many then destroyed old foreign labels that they had cherished for years and have never had the heart to make a fresh collection. The fashion for

using small hand luggage, most of it light and short-lived, has done still more to destroy the habit.

But the Americans have had no such restriction and are eager as ever to take their luggage home plastered all over with names of places they have visited, if only for an hour or two, and hotels they have stayed in. Railway porters say that they are always very particular that none of these mementoes shall be defaced. The Shakespeare label is sure to have pride of place, and no doubt its success will lead to the production of a small-scale national portrait collection. —London Daily Telegraph.

News in Brief.

The morning service in the Union Church, Kennedy Road, on Sunday will be broadcast.

One non-Chinese case of typhoid fever (imported) and two Chinese cases were notified yesterday.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 78°. The humidity was 71 at 10 a.m. and 69 at 4 p.m.

A Reuter cable from London stated yesterday that the half-yearly meeting of the Court of the Bank of England maintained the Bank's dividend at six per cent.

The annual dramatic evening will be held in the Great Hall of the University on Saturday, October 3, at 9 p.m. The following plays will be presented: "The Teaching Teresa" and "A Collection will be Made." Songs will be given by Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith and Mr. G. McLeod.

Splendid entertainment is being afforded at the Majestic Theatre by the screening of "Don't Bet on Women," with Jeanette MacDonald in the leading feminine role. Those who saw it at the King's Theatre are now crowding the Majestic, with the result that good-houses are the rule at all the evening screenings.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:—Francis George Healey, Shiro, Tainan, Formosa, to Mary Isabel Dixon, who is travelling to Hong Kong on board the s.s. Rajputana; and Samuel Randle, Police Headquarters, Hong Kong, to Eva Winifred Louise Gowers, No. 29, St. Mary's Road, South Norwood, London.

Armed robbers who gained access to the house of Mr. Kotabe at 567, Nathan Road, yesterday, got away with jewellery and clothing valued at \$355. The loot included a portable gramophone and 30 records. Mrs. Kotabe, her children, and the servants, were bound hand and foot, one man standing guard over them with a knife. Mrs. Kotabe later managed to free herself, and gave the alarm.

Following closely on its successful run at the Queen's Theatre, "They Learned About Women" is now drawing a good crowd to the Star Theatre. Featuring Joe Schenck and Gus Van, the well known singers, the production contains many musical items, although the story is woven round two close "pals" whose "racket" is baseball. In the off season they find an outlet for their musical talent on the stage.

Personal Pars.

Mr. Stanley Allen and Mr. R. B. Davis sailed yesterday by the Empress of Asia for Manila.

A recent arrival in Shanghai was Mr. L. C. Parker Rees, Superintendent of Crown Lands, Hong Kong.

A Shanghai paper of Tuesday states:—Sir William Hornell, owing to pressure of work in Hong Kong, has not been able to come to Shanghai to attend the meeting of the British Boxer Indemnity Commission.

Arrivals in Shanghai from Hong Kong, on Monday by the R.M.S. Empress of Japan included the Misses J. and M. Braga, daughters of the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Hong Kong, and Mr. J. H. Ruttonjee, Hong Kong, accompanied by Mrs. Ruttonjee, and Miss Ruttonjee.

It is learned that Madame Sun Yat-sen sailed from Shanghai on the French mail liner Sphinx on September 12 for Penang, where she will spend a few months. Madame Sun is stated to be in bad health, and is acting on doctor's orders. Her departure was kept secret, the news only leaking out late last evening, cabled Reuter.

Mr. R. M. Dyer, chief manager of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Company, and Mrs. Dyer were through passengers on the Empress of Japan which arrived in Shanghai on Monday.

A Shanghai paper of September 14 states:—His many friends and patients in Singapore will be sorry to learn that Dr. Arthur Weerekoen who recently arrived here from Hong Kong is lying seriously ill, at his residence in the French Concession, with chest trouble. His physicians have advised his early removal to the sanitarium.

The following passengers for Hong Kong are sailing on the P. & O. s.s. Kashmir which left London on August 20:—Mr. H. G. Arnott, Mr. E. Bolton, Miss K. Blackman, Miss W. M. Coles, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dick, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Estall, Mr. W. J. Featherstone, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hill and two infants, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Horwood and child, Mr. G. A. Hudson, Mrs. H. S. Keown and infant, Miss G. Keown, Master A. Keown, Master W. Keown, Mr. E. W. Mawson, Miss M. M. Mellor, F/O G. B. Musson, Miss L. C. Mal-lows, Miss C. McNevin, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Riddington, and two children, Mr. S. A. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Trout, Masters Trout, Mr. H. Waller, Mr. A. W. Woodyatt.

CORRESPONDENCE.

"PLEASE—DON'T SPIT"

[To the Editor of "China Mail."] Sir,—Please keep hammering away at this spitting evil. Touch the pockets of all offenders and you will find a marked decrease. How many little European children in the Colony to-day are infected with tuberculosis contracted through contact with amahs and boys' drinking and eating vessels or through servants spitting in children's playgrounds. This is a real menace to children of Europeans. Why is the Government so timid to take action?

Yours, etc.,

ANXIOUS MOTHER.

Hong Kong, September 18.

MONEY LEFT.

Estate of Chinese Tallyman.

Wong Shiu-shau, a tallyman, who died at 144, Wellington Street, on December 7, 1930, left estate valued at \$22,100. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Wong Leung-shi.

Chin Leung-shi, alias Mary Chin, alias Leung Lai-chee, alias Leung Chee-shing, Leung Lai Chee Tong, alias Daisy Leung, left local estate worth \$62,400. She died at 325, Hennessy Road, on May 8 last, and probate has been granted to Chin Ah-xam (widower) and Chin Tit-yung.

To-day's Thought.

Lord Castlereagh (Director of the Evening Standard, Daily Express and Sunday Express) comes out now and then with a brilliant tirade against those who made a mess of the Peace, and then he leaves it alone for a time. That is not the way to get things done. The right way is for his generation to get a leader—a great organizer, like Auckland Geddes—appoint him as their director-general, and then storm the heights. But the men of his generation are too apathetic, too cynical, too much wrapped up in themselves. Their creed is that the other fellow should do it—and so, of course, nothing is done. The newspapers aid and abet them—for what appears to be a big national affair to-day is unaccountably forgotten to-morrow.—Newspaper World.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of September 18, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/9½.

Loud firing of cracker strings signalled the advent of the Bank of East Asia Ltd. to its new premises at No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, this morning when the chief manager, Mr. Kan Tong-po, received numerous callers, both European and Chinese, who came to congratulate the Bank on its enterprise and pledge its success. The Head Office was formerly situated at No. 2, Queen's Road Central.

TRAITORS AND TREASON

Strange Stories of France in Wartime.

A Woman Spy Who Demanded \$6 A Head For Her Victims.

THE CAILLAUX CASE.

In 1918 Joseph Caillaux, ex-Premier, wizard of finance, one of Europe's outstanding pre-war personalities, was plunged into prison, charged with plotting against the safety of France; Louis Malvy, Minister of the Interior, appeared on charges of treason before the Senate; and Charles Humbert, Senator and newspaper magnate, was similarly accused. It was like England placing Mr. Asquith, Sir John Simon, and Lord Northcliffe in the dock. No wonder France was electrified.

Rudyard Kipling's amazement at the interest taken in the series of treason trials which followed M. Clemenceau's accession to power is not shared by the reader of Mr. George Adam's unusually interesting "Treason and Tragedy" (Cape, 10s. 6d.), one of the best and most stirring books written about the War years. Insidious propaganda had undermined the national morale to an alarming degree; newspapers preaching impossibility of victory penetrated the front line; mutinies had broken out in sixteen divisions in the Champagne sector and the safety of the whole Front was imperilled.

Wretched Creatures.—The accused fell into three categories. First the horde of wretched creatures who acted as informers in German pay in occupied zones. For fifty francs wounded Allied soldiers, lying hidden, were sold to the enemy, and compatriots betrayed for helping the Allied cause.

Such were the "Terror of Treason," wife of an interned French official, and informer to the German police; Hubert, who sold his own brother to the Germans for having harboured French airmen, and was arrested wearing a war medal stolen from a pilot's corpse; Toqué, who in 1914 was released by the invading Germans from imprisonment for having used living natives as a set piece for fireworks celebrations in Africa, and turned spy; Alice Laffroy, a veritable fury, mistress of countless Germans and the Terror of Nogent.

Her finest exploit was the denunciation of a village woman for keeping two Senegalese sharpshooters in a false chimney. After a good deal of bargaining she got the price she wanted, 25 a head, and asked for the loan of a German uniform, so that she might enjoy seeing what happened.

The village Mayor was shot. How pathetic the farewell penned to his wife: "I shall die in my cloth coat and waistcoat, and I'll wear my sabots. I tell you this so that you may be able to recognise me when you come to fetch me."

A Treacherous Barrister.—Gaston Quénecq—barrister, whose practice had been confined to defending himself unsuccessfully against charges of fraud and theft—was another informer, tried after the War. Though his treachery was amply proved, the prosecution failed to convict him of the historic crime of having betrayed Nurse Cavell.

Next were the wholesale dealers in treason, intelligent men who netted millions. "Almevreda, founder of the *Bonnet Rouge*, who died mysteriously in prison before trial; Duval, who propagated the poison that England, having occupied Calais and the Channel ports, would never evacuate them; Lenoir, who received from Germany no less than 5,000,000 francs, 140,000 of them in blood-stained five-franc notes wrung

from his compatriots by the invaders! When he was first taken to Vincennes he begged for time in which to make revelations regarding Caillaux. He was put back into his cell, and it was found that what he had to say was of no particular interest. When he next reached the execution ground he was in a state of collapse so complete that the men who carried him from the motor-car did not know whether it was not a corpse that they tied to the stake to be executed by the firing-party.

Bigamist and "Pasha."—And there was Bolo, who had absconded with his employer's wife and jewels, been dentist, grocer, fishmonger, and bigamist, reaped tainted fortunes from emeralds, and posed as a Monte Cristo in Paris, before joining the deposed Khedive as Germany's paid agent. Abbas Hilmi made Bolo a "Pasha," but the two quarrelled over the swag, Bolo receiving at least one (if not two) million francs.

By the time he had settled with his more pressing creditors, given his wife a pearl necklace, and renounced his estates at Biarritz by purchasing a few lots of land, there was practically nothing left for Germany, and Germany awaited immediate results.

Not the least dramatic incident at his trial was that appearance of his two "wives" to plead together for his life. For his execution Bolo the debonair put on white gloves, and placed over his heart two handkerchiefs which he left in his will to his wife and his brother.

Into the third category fall such misguided, but not treacherous, politicians as Caillaux.

Acquitted of Murder.—When war broke out France was ringing with Madame Caillaux's acquittal of the murder of Calmette, editor of the *Figaro*. The circumstances surrounding the documents in the case were remarkable. These documents had been falsified by a jealous wife and used as a weapon to break the ties between Caillaux and the lady whom he subsequently married. As the result of the compromise which had to be effected Caillaux had to agree to abandon any idea of seeking a divorce and to break off relations with the lady. In return the letters were solemnly burnt in the presence of witnesses. A few months afterwards Caillaux began divorce proceedings, and when he married again it became quickly clear that Madame Caillaux, while consenting to the burning of the letters, had taken the precaution of having them photographed, and it was the publication of those facsimiles which led to the killing of Calmette.

During the nine-day trial, two of the Judges challenged each other to a duel, so high had passions run! In 1917 the public mind soon connected Caillaux with the defeatist campaign.

Lenoir... was the son of a man used as an agent by Caillaux in his Moroccan negotiations with Germany. Bolo... was among Caillaux's friends. Almevreda... was the man who had organised Caillaux's Corsican bodyguard during the trial of Madame Caillaux in 1914.

Caillaux was acquitted by the tribunal of the major charges and released after twenty-seven months in prison.

Since then he has again held office as Finance Minister!

SUCH IS GLAMIS CASTLE.

A Massive Towering Keep.

THING OF JOY.

Glamis as it stands is a thing of joy to the untrained eyes of the spectator, standing at the archæologist. Not that it is a thing of joy to the architect—no more than the second—with a massive tower, bristling with odd little battlements, and with a little battlement here and there, without any attempt at regularity; two flanking wings, one of which wanders away into a long stretch of office and outbuildings; the whole of pink stone, pitted and bleached with the wind and weather of many centuries.

Such is Glamis Castle, the oldest, the most picturesque and the most discussed private residence in the United Kingdom. The antiquity of the central part is immense—so great, in fact, that it stretches back beyond all records and loses itself in a haze of mystery and legend. Whether Aeneas ever pilloved his royal head there does not matter much. The evidence of the Castle's stupendous age lies chiefly in itself—in its formation, in the stones of which it is built and in the premeditated thickness of its walls.

It is these walls which have kept the old pile standing through all the rolling centuries and it is these walls which are responsible, in the main, for all the legends and tales of mystery that surround the Castle; for in their thickness there is room for a concealed house of cubic dimensions, not greatly inferior to those which the Keep now exposes to the eye. Some of these concealed stairways, and byways which are still accessible. What thrills of treacherous joy were mine when, as a boy, I lowered myself through a trap-door in the floor of the Blue Room dressing-room and—candle in hand—went on my excited way down a little corkscrew stone stairway which eventually ended in nothing—I believe in the thickness of the drawing-room wall.

The old twelve-foot walls are full of such little stairways and passages—many of them known to the present generation; many others, no doubt, unknown. People used to talk much of a supposed secret room at Glamis. Why, there are probably a score of secret rooms or more, blocked up perhaps centuries ago and hidden away for ever. Until the Castle crumbles to ruins in those vast mysterious walls. It would be odd indeed if eerie tales did not circle tumultuously round such a house.—Lord Ernest Hamilton, in "Old Days and News."

TWO BISHOPS AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

St. John's Cathedral is to have something of a field day on Sunday when there will be a Bishop preaching at both the morning and evening services. The preacher at 11 a.m. will be the Right Reverend John Hind D.D. the Bishop of Fukuin who has been many years in China. He is one of the many Irishmen from Trinity College Dublin who have done such fine work in Fukuin that the Province has become known as the "padi field of China."

At the evening service at 6 o'clock the preacher will be the Right Reverend H. W. K. Mowll, D.D. The Bishop of Western China. He got his trial cap for rowing at Cambridge and came out to Szechwan in 1922. Some years ago he with some other missionaries were captured by bandits and held to ransom for several weeks before being released.

Both preachers will have interesting things to tell of the interior of China in these unsettled times and it is expected that a large number will be at the Cathedral to hear them.

MEMORIAL TO COMPOSER.

"Abide With Me" On Church Bells.

Plymouth, August 12. It is intended when the complete ring of ten bells is installed in All Saints Church, Brixham, that they shall play daily the famous hymn "Abide with me," which was composed on Barry Hand, near Brixham, by the Rev. E. H. Lyte when he was vicar of that church.

The ring of bell will thus serve as a memorial to one whose memory is treasured in the fishing port where he laboured for so long.

STUFF.

A Breeze of Domestic Virtue.

[By Ivor Brown.]

Now and again one is visited by a breeze of domestic virtue which even goes so far as to blow over the shelves and through the cupboards. Spring is supposed to be the season of this cleansing gale, but the wind blows when it fits. Perhaps it is stirred by the arrival of a holiday; the decorators may be coming in when we are going out, and we must do something to present them with the compliances of an empty shell for their paints and their distempers.

There is no more common delusion than that of personal tidiness. We all shrug our shoulders at the sight of a neighbour's desk. It is terrible; let but a puff of air strike it and the massed papers will whirl in a mass of anarchy. Our desk, of course, is not at all like that, and offers no occasion for a dance of documents. The surface is moderately vacant; there is room to move an elbow. But those with a tended desk are never totally immune from that spirit of domestic prudence and conservatism which creates litter. The surface and the summit may be swept and garnished. But what of the bottom drawer? Somewhere, be assured, exists confusion's masterpiece. There are those humans who inhumanly delight in the neat manipulation of a filing-case. The reprinted gas bills of the eight last

quarters are neatly docketed apart from the eight "electricity" bills, which are also as ready on parade as a platoon of Guards. Such folk can tell in a second what they paid in October, 1928. But this I take to be a melancholy form of knowledge. Whenever I read the papers I am informed that the cost of living has gone down; whenever I look at my bills I discover that the cost of living has, for me, gone up. Therefore this neat parcel of old receipts is not a helpful or comforting thing; it is a saddening influence, a scourge. Note the less there are those who find their comfort in a card-index and have their past secured in a neat discipline of rubber-bands. Yet I challenge them. They may swear that they immediately destroy what will not be useful, but I reject the oath and rudely assert that they are somehow frail and guilty as the rest of us. Their desks may be orderly beyond rebuke; but there is, I know, a secret dump; there are cupboards, there is an attic. It's not in mortals to wipe out all tracks and trailings and lumber of discarded chattels. The indestructibility of matter was never more conclusively proved than by the contents of a cupboard, loaded with those clinging burrs of property which can only be termed Stuff.

Not Stuff and nonsense; we can shake the rubbish off. But the things which somebody gave you, the photographs of friends and holiday scenes, the letters which might be interesting or even valuable, the old guide-books which might be needed again, volumes and reports which you thought you would use some day, gear of games, old music, old gramophone records—layer after layer of it, just Stuff. The cupboard, too, is the Home of Lost Causes. It hides the pictures one used to like and then rejected in weariness. It is not idleness which collects Lost Causes; it is progress. You are a poor citizen if you never patronise the artist, and you are a dull dog if your taste never changes. You are not, I surmise, so richly and spaciouly housed that you can buy new pictures, books, and furnishings without having to stow away the old in the cranny or the attic and to add to your dump, your Stuff.

Certain species of Stuff are able to vanish utterly. There is the book, the letter, or receipt which you particularly want. There are, above all, pencils. The dissolubility of wood and lead when combined in pencil form is one of the major miracles of the world. I have computed that there must be some five dozen pencils—at a modest reckoning—secreted in my small premises. "I long ago learned that, buying a pencil" was an idle folly; I bought them in half-dozen packets; I never remember sharpening a pencil to its economic foundations and hewing it to its stubby end. They were used once or twice, and now they are not, I could ransack my Stuff by the melancholy hour and find no pencil. It is amazing. The Hindu magician with his rope is no more expert in vanishing than a common pencil, English or imported.

SUMMONS AGAINST A STORE.

Alleged Lottery and Its Sequel.

CASE FOR DEFENCE.

Before Mr. Williams, in the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon, the Manager of the Sincere Company, Ltd., was summoned that between August 26 and September 1, 1931, he caused to be printed or published an announcement relative to a lottery, contrary to September 9 of the Gambling Ordinance, 2 of 1891.

The proceedings, conducted by Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy (Public Prosecutor) with Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., arose out of the recent scheme instituted by the Company in question of a free day's purchase in connection with a cheap sale. Mr. Hin-shing Lo (instructed by Messrs. Lyson and Hall) pleaded that the scheme was a bona fide invitation to the public to participate in a benefit sale, by which the Sincere Company offered an extraordinary concession to their customers while the latter stood to lose absolutely nothing. Counsel disagreed that the scheme was a lottery within the meaning of the Gambling Ordinance.

His Worship reserved decision until next Thursday.

ed, they are all alike, the very form and fashion of evanescence.

But the rest of Stuff is not so evanescent. It clings like the ivy and breeds like the nettle; every year the national accumulation of Stuff must be growing as we build ever more houses with ever more desks and cupboards and attics. Stuff, unlike the young woman who drank nine breakfasts of tea, swells "invisibly." Of course, the day of compulsory visibility must come some time, but it is astonishing how much we take into our houses and how little we send away without an utter and complete congestion; I learn from some economists (and indeed it is only common sense) that in these years of overproduction (or under-consumption) it is the business of a good citizen to buy and use. In other words, I must accumulate and, if I accumulate, I must displace. To hurl one's property into the dustbin is not just a physical action; it involves a torturing mental process. Can one safely be rid of this and that? One cannot; mercy keeps breaking in. It may be sentiment which retains this and that of property which retains that. But they are retained. One compromises with the need for a clear cut. In the end, one surrenders. There is still a shelf where something can be crammed. Those clothes, for instance; really they aren't so bad. They will surely come in useful. So we become collectors willy-nilly, the slaves of Stuff.

One reads of millions of tons and yards and pages being ejected from factories and offices every year, and it has all got to enter houses (many of which are already heavily stuffed for their inches) if industry is not to founder, in which case, directly or indirectly, we founder too. Some of the stuff is necessary and most of it is a pleasing form of embarrassment. Not a little is indestructible, except by fire, sword, or earthquake. There are some ruthless folk who can really grapple with Stuff, decide on instantaneous sloughings and burnings and pitchings-out. But we are not all of that kind. Perhaps the destroyers have done some pretty dreadful things in their zeal; precious texts and pictures fed the flame. One has haunting visions of Mrs. Susannah Hall, daughter and heiress of William Shakespeare, dealing with the paternal Stuff; had she or others kept what they found at New Place a myriad of volumes need never have been written and librarians would thus have been saved another load of Stuff. Very few of us are the heirs and assigns of those whom posterity will deem incomparable, but there is here a temptation to be prudent, to retain, to let the cupboard be.

So there is no nice, neat, logical conclusion to this article. But the reader, whether he has got so far or not, is free at least in this. He can wrap his shoes in this dissertation when he goes on holiday, but the wretched author will snip it out and put it away. Stuff certainly—and possibly—nonsense, too. Manchester Guardian.

Personally I would rather take the view of a Border shepherd on most questions than of all the professors in Europe. Mr. John Buchan.



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EATING ITS OWN WORDS.

Paper Withdraws Murder Praise.

Calcutta, August 12.

In a recent occasional note (says the Calcutta Statesman) we drew attention to an issue of a Bengali paper, the *Daily Vagadoot*, which devoted a whole page to the glorification of the murderer of Inspector Tarni Mukerjee, gave a photograph of the assassin, and published a series of falsehoods about a hartal and a mass meeting.

Last Saturday's issue of the *Daily Vagadoot* contained a statement of which the following is an English translation:

"Shamefully false news and undue praise of the murderer, on the occasion of the execution of

Ramkrishna Biswas, the murderer of Sub-Inspector Tarni Mukerjee, were published in the *Daily Vagadoot* of August 5. We are exceedingly sorry for this. We very strongly condemn the cowardly assassination of Sub-Inspector Tarni Mukerjee and Mr. Garlick."

"We look upon such murders with contempt and horror and we have not the least desire to encourage the barbarity of those misguided young men who commit such murders. We feel that the news, published on August 5, may encourage such young men and that it is why we unreservedly withdraw all that we published. Further we offer our sincere apology for publishing such news. In conclusion we offer sincere condolence to the members of the families of those Government officers who have been assassinated by the revolutionaries."

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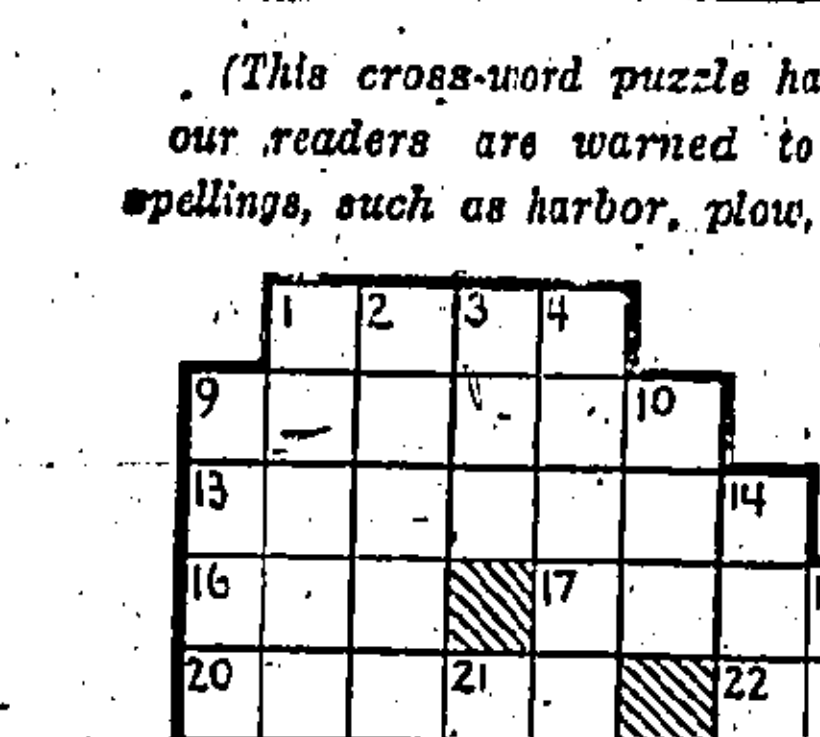
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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Registration, Sept. 18, 4.30 p.m. Registration, Sept. 19, 8.45 a.m.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

Bangkok via Swatow 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa 9 a.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

Amoy Tjikarang 10.30 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta 10.30 a.m.

Swatow 11 p.m.

Amoy 3.30 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22.

Java via Batavia 10.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow 1 p.m.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank wire	11 1/2
Bank on demand	11 1/2
Bank 4 months' sight	11 11/16
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/— 5/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/— 7/16
On Paris—	
On demand	600
Credits, 4 months' sight	640
On Berlin—	
On demand	Nom
On New York—	
On demand	23 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	24 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	65 1/2
On demand	65 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	65 1/2
On demand	65 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	41 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	47 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	Tls. 78 1/2
Dollar	7 1/2 dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	47 1/2
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	1/— 1/2
Silver (per oz.)	12 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Nom.
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	8 1/2 prem.
Rate of Native Interest	3 1/2 p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	24 1/2 dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.	

LONDON EXCHANGES

Rugby, Yesterday.	
Paris	123.96 1/2
New York	4.86
Brussels	34.94 1/2
Geneva	24.9 1/2
Amsterdam	12.04 1/2
Milan	92.90 1/2
Berlin	20.59 1/2
Stockholm	18.16
Copenhagen	18.18 1/2
Oslø	18.17 1/2
Vienna	34.58
Prague	164 1/2
Helsingfors	193 1/2

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HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 18th Sept., 1931.

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STOCK

Day's Sale

Buyers

Sellers

Non-Exec.

File

Last dividend and when paid

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Sunrise Sunset

September

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KAMO MARU	Saturday	24th October	
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TOKIWA MARU	Sunday	27th September	
TANGO MARU	Tuesday	13th October	
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RAKUYO MARU	Thursday	15th October	
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.			
TOBA MARU	Tuesday	29th September	
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Suez, Constantinople, Genoa & Marseilles.			
LIMA MARU	Sunday	11th October	
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.			
PENANG MARU	Tuesday	29th September	
HAKODATE MARU	Thursday	8th October	
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA.			
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Hokuroku Maru	Tues.	6th Oct.	
BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Colombo.			
Burma Maru	Fri.	19th Sept.	
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.			
Menado Maru	Thurs.	1st Oct.	
HAIPHONG via Hoihow & Paochow (Fortnightly).			
Canton Maru	Sun.	27th Sept.	
KEELUNG via Samsui & Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday).			
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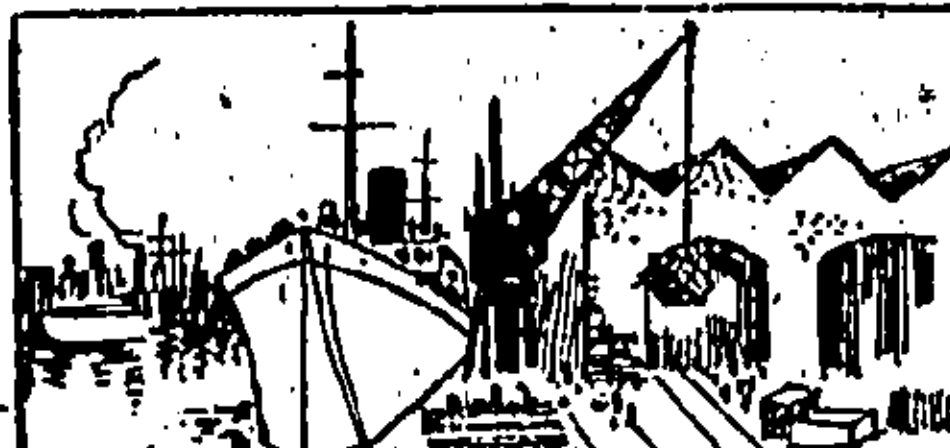
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Steamer	Leaves Hong Kong	Arrives Wuchow	Leaves Wuchow	Arrives Hong Kong
TAI HING	MON. 21st	WED. 23rd	THURS. 24th	FRI. 25th
TAI MING	WED. 23rd	FRI. 25th	SAT. 26th	SUN. 27th
TAI HING	SUN. 27th	TUES. 29th	WED. 30th	THURS. 1st
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Shipping Intelligence

WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:—

	Sept. 15	Sept. 16
West River at Shihshui	12.3	12.6
North River at Samsui	10.6	9.8
North River at Tsingyun	10.0	10.0
East River at Sheklung	11.0	11.3

The highest levels recorded are:—Shihshui, 41 feet; Tsingyun, 29.2 feet; Samsui, 27.3 feet; Sheklung, 11.6 feet.

The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samsui and minus 2.7 feet at Sheklung.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Wednesday, September 16.
Duisburg, German str., 4,374 tons, Capt. H. Eckhorn, from Manila, buoy No. A17—Jebson & Co.
Thursday, September 17.
Atagasan Maru, Japanese str., 2,487 tons, Capt. S. Imai, from Mike, Yaguchi Anchorage—M.B.K.
Canton, French str., 976 tons, Capt. P. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, buoy No. B3—M.M.
Empress of Asia, British str., 8,883 tons, Capt. Lovegrove, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf—C.P.S.
Hai Hing, Norwegian str., 1,445 tons, Capt. Olaf S. Olsen, from Swatow, buoy No. C1—Thoresen & Co.
Halvard, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. A. Hall, from Hoihow, Stonecutters Anchorage—Wo Fat Sing.
Kumo Karu, Japanese str., 7,956 tons, Capt. T. Takechi, from Melbourne via Manila, N.Y.K. Wharf—N.Y.K.
Kamona, British str., 903 tons, Capt. R. C. Creer, from Samarinda, Wanchai Anchorage—Williamson & Co.
Nanning, British str., 1,486 tons, Capt. J. Anderson, from Canton, buoy No. B3—B. & S.
Sarpadon, British str., 6,921 tons, Capt. A. T. Shaw, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf—B. & S.
Tai Ping Yang, Norwegian str., 3,559 tons, Capt. H. Anderson, from Manila, buoy No. A11—Dodwell & Co.
Tsinan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. Shaw, from Canton, buoy No. B20—B. & S.

HIS MAJESTY'S SHIPS.

Capt. Alfred C. Dewar, R.N. (retired) writes to the Times as follows:—
With reference to the use of the definite article before the name of a ship may I point out that Nelson seems to have used the definite article frequently? For instance, to St. Vincent, February 12, 1801, "my flag is on board the St. George's to Sir Hyde Parker, April, 1801, "the Agamemnon". (Continued at foot of preceding column.)

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BUILDING RACE.

It is now anticipated that the new 73,000-ton liner being built on the Clyde for the Cunard Company will be launched in February.

Although in the early announcements of the Cunard Company it was said that the vessel was not being built for record breaking, it is now expected that she will be the fastest liner afloat, with a speed of more than thirty knots.

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An interesting fact is that the dining-room will be amidships, between the second and third funnels, and will be the largest room ever built in an ocean liner. The liner's funnels, measuring 40 feet across, will rise 130 feet above the water line. Her rudder is the largest ever constructed and weighs more than 150 tons. It has been made in a Derlington factory. The two propellers, also the largest ever made, are being constructed at Millwall.

HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

September 18 to 24, 1931.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
Sept.	Standard Times	Standard Times
Fri. 18	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.	0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.
Sat. 19	0. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	0. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.
Sun. 20	0. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.	0. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.
Mon. 21	0. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.	0. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.
Tues. 22	0. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.	0. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.
Wed. 23	0. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.	0. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.
Thurs. 24	0. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10.	0. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10.

PASSENGER LISTS.

ARRIVALS

The following have arrived in the Colony by the s.s. Sarpedon:—
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The following passed through to Manila:—

Mr. A. L. Griffiths, Mr. E. H. Cooper, Mr. M. B. Back, Mrs. K. L. Kwong, Master R. Kwong, Miss C. Kwong, Dr. A. Lazatin, Mr. C. Caillan, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Schoening, Mr. S. K. Walters, Mr. E. Valases, Mr. V. Vidal, Mr. R. Rodriguez, Mr. Liu Yu-hsien, Mr. I. Sanko, Mrs. F. G. Windsor, Mrs. M. Russell, Mrs. Cooper, Miss H. E. Cooper, Mr. T. P. Pablo, Mr. R. Pablo, Mr. R. L. St. John, Rev. S. Damolder, Rev. S. De Moulmeester, Rev. S. Dietiens, Rev. S. Werbrouck.

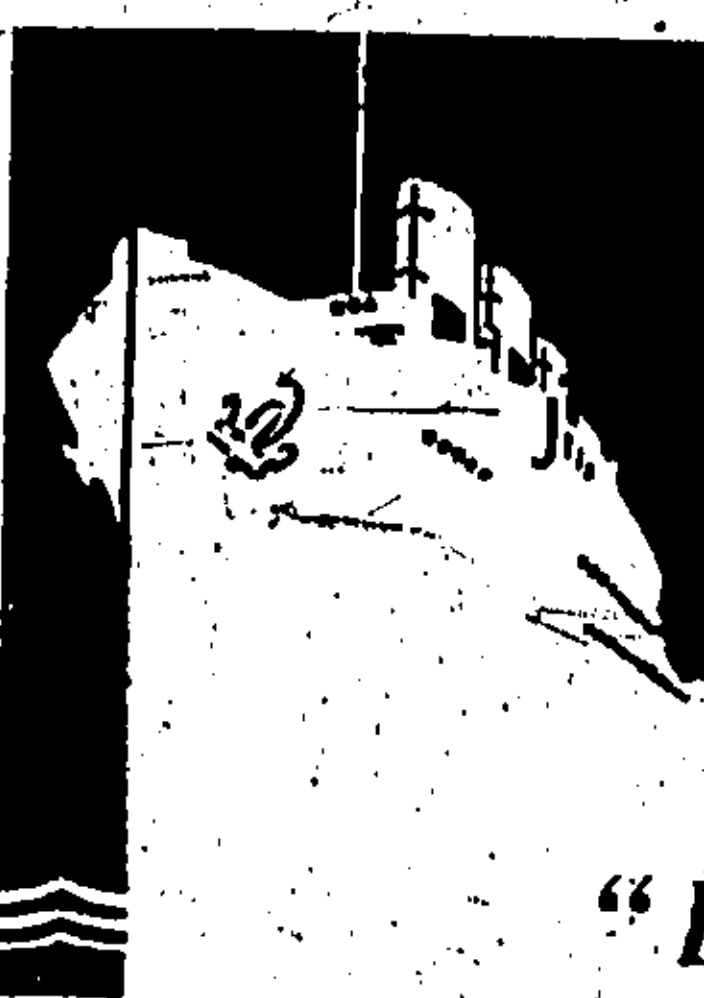
WARSHIPS IN PORT

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—
Cornflower—West wall (dock).
Magnolia—in dock.
Moth—East wall.
Oswald—East wall.
Phoenix—East wall.
Seraph—North wall.
Seraph—South wall.
Sterling—South wall.
Stormcloud—North arm.
Tamar—Basin.

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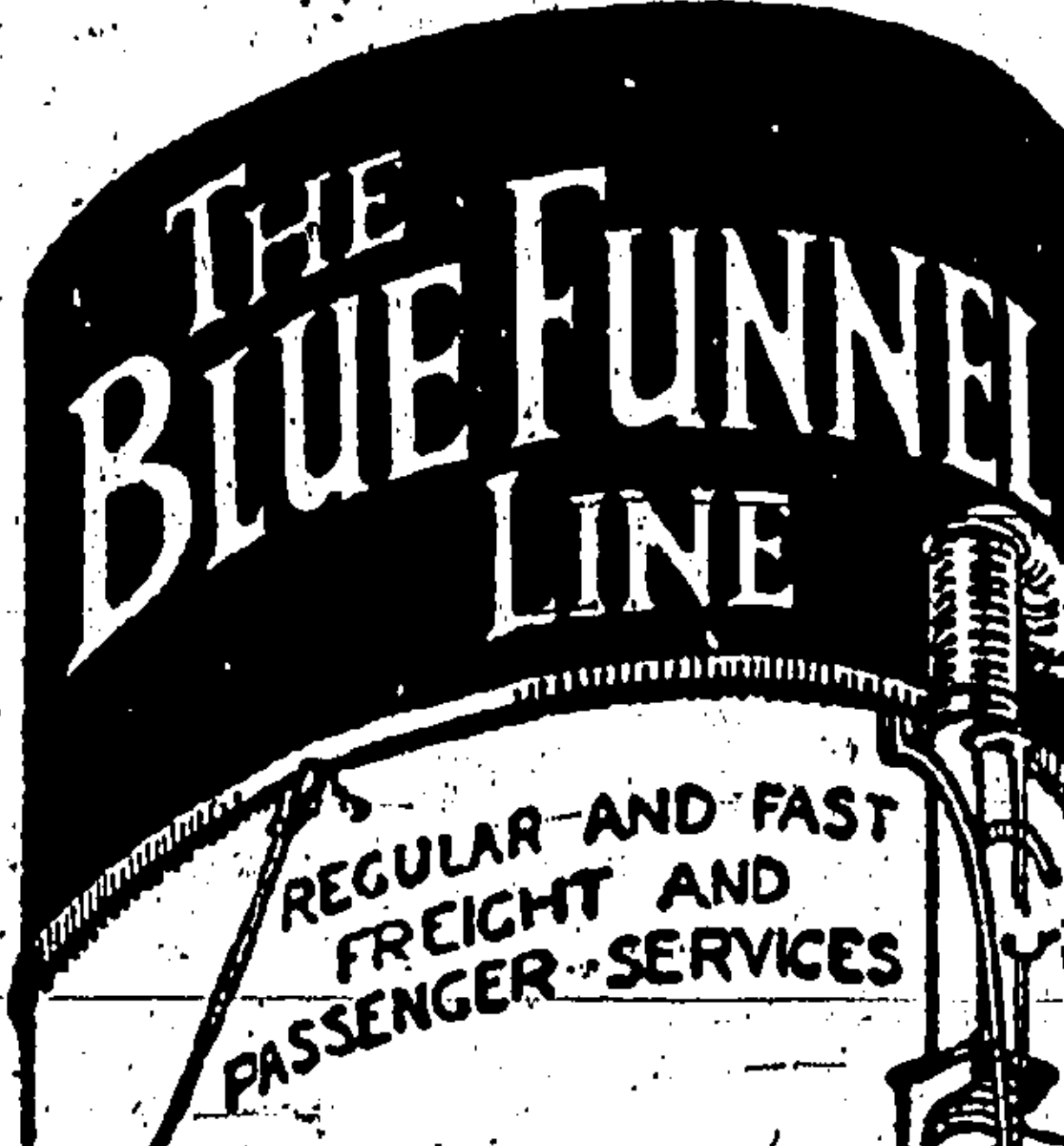
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She may be regarded as an interesting combination of cruiser and passenger vessel, since accommodation for 156 junior officers had to be provided in two deck-houses fitted between the fore and aft turrets. The Jeanne d'Arc is 160m. long, 17.70m. broad, with a draft of 6.69 m. and a Washington displacement of 6,600 tons (normal displacement 7,240 tons). The armament includes: For double turrets of 155mm., four 75mm. anti-

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BRITISH TRADE ROUTES.

Sir H. Richmond on
Naval Requirements.

Admiral Sir Herbert Richmond addressed members of the 1912 Club at the headquarters of the City Conservative Association in Bucklersbury on "The Defence of our Trade Routes." He said that practically the whole of the Empire's trade was sea-borne and over vast distances, which was one of the reasons why we wanted more sea power than any other nation. If they visited the docks of the Port of London Authority they would get some sort of realization of what our seaborne trade meant. There was a time during the War when the trade of the Port of London was in serious danger, before the convoy system of ship protection was instituted. The institution of that system was greatly delayed because for a long time we had not a sufficiency of the smaller warships necessary for the purpose.

Sir Herbert Richmond demonstrated on a large-scale map the vital importance of the great trade routes to British Empire. Trade, and showed that in April, 1929, when a record was taken, there were on ocean routes a tonnage of 7,800,000 British ships of 3,000 tons. As to the number of vessels required for the protection of those routes and that tonnage from interference in time of war, he mentioned that when the last War started they had 124 cruisers available. Now that number was reduced to 50. If there were any future trouble he could not see how that number could afford protection. The last volume of the Naval History of the War stated: "One of the difficulties the Admiralty had to contend with was the fact that the resources of the Navy were strained almost to breaking-point, particularly in regard to destroyers, of which there had never been a sufficient number." During the War we had 279 destroyers in home waters and about 400 elsewhere, apart from the forces of our Allies. The tonnage allocated to destroyers under the Naval agreements would give us about 120. How could that number do what was necessary if the number was inadequate for the purposes for which they existed. If we accepted the fact that it was necessary to have a Navy, surely it was only prudent to have one that was adequate.

It was necessary to make the people alive to the present position. He was an economist, where economy was necessary, but there were two kinds of economy. True economy was wise expenditure, and it was surely wise expenditure to maintain forces adequate for the purposes for which they existed. If we accepted the fact that it was necessary to have a Navy, surely it was only prudent to have one that was adequate.

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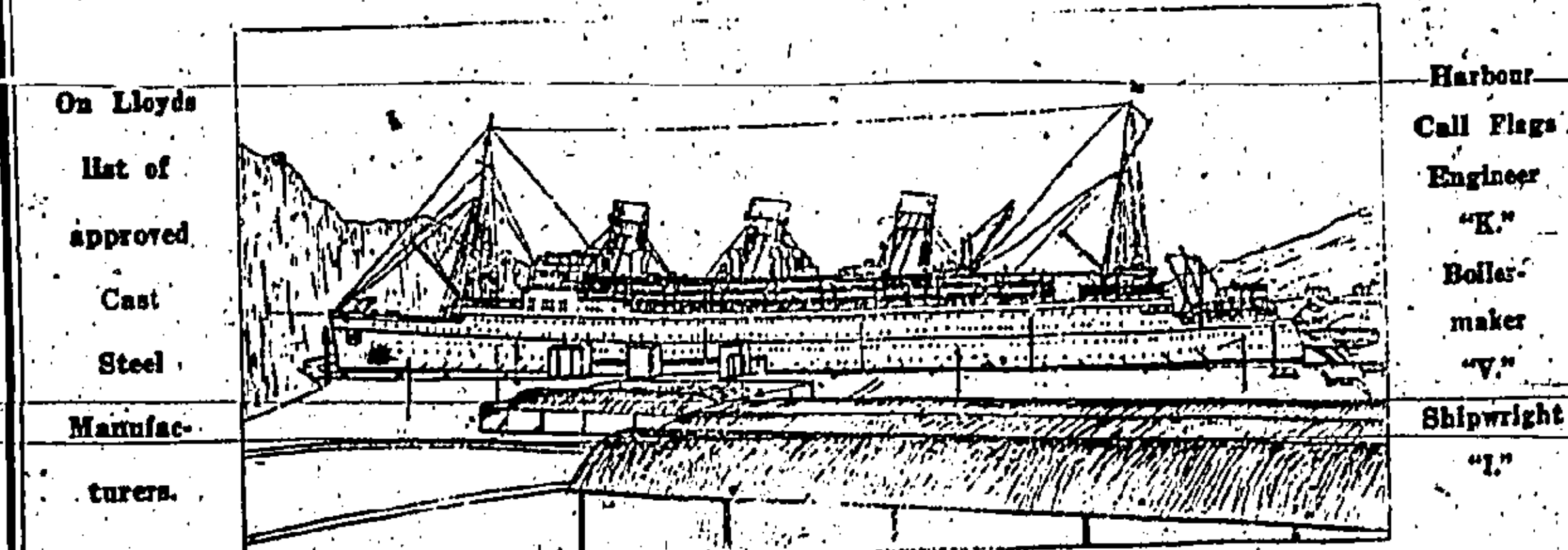
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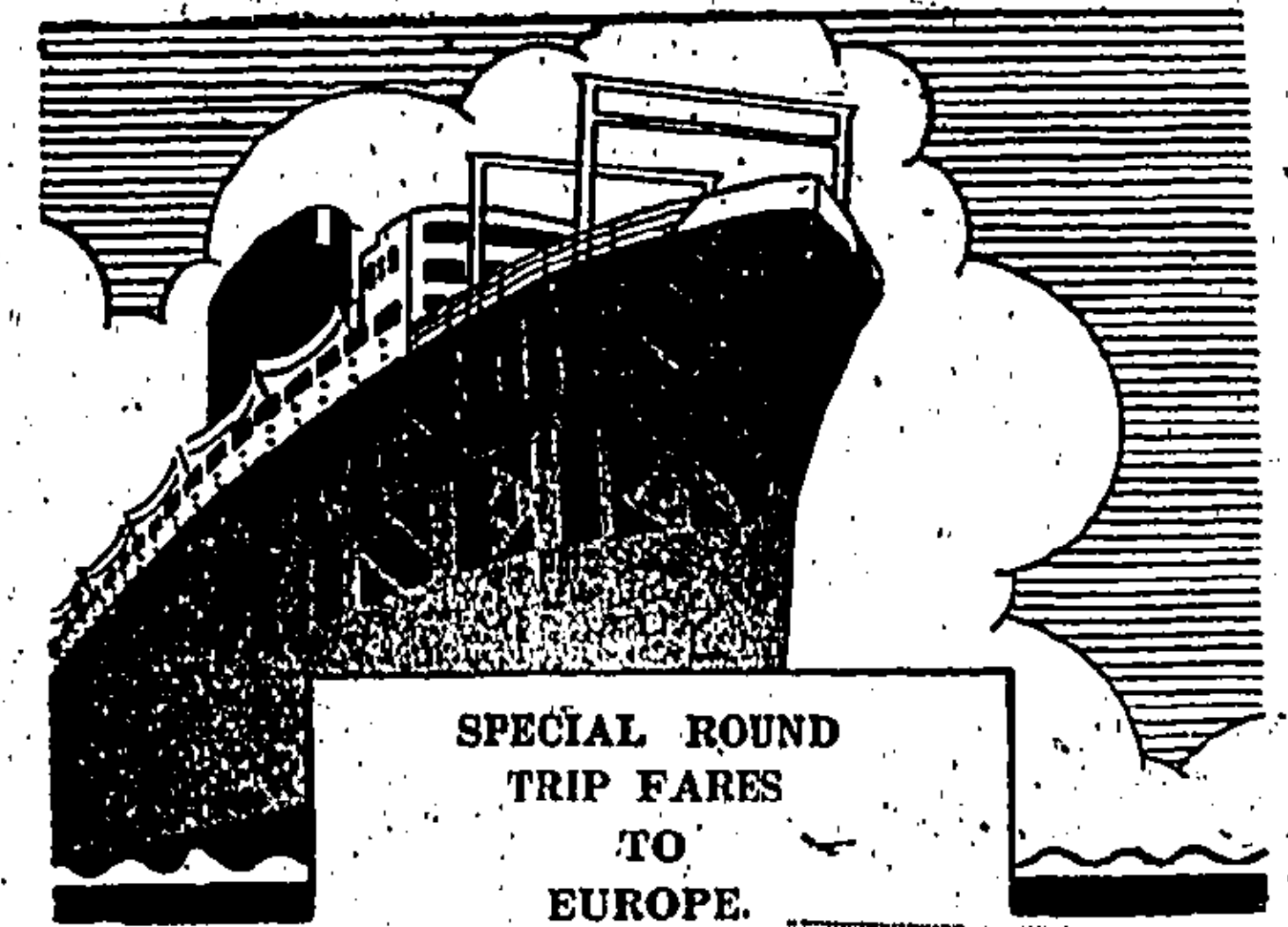
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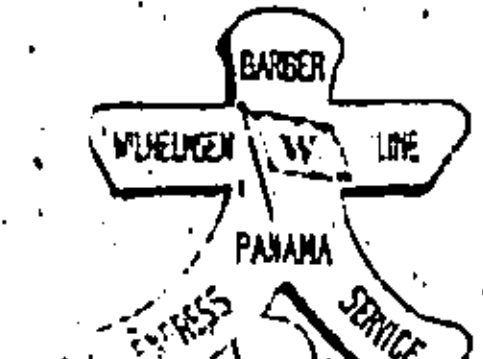
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gross tons of British shipping were laid up at the beginning of this month, equivalent to about 4,760,000 tons carrying capacity. It would be rash to speculate how many round voyages could be accomplished by this vast idle fleet in a year, but the figures are a melancholy reflection of the absence of cargo, especially as, of course, very many vessels in commission are sailing with only partially filled holds or even in ballast. Among the British vessels laid up are 46 tankers of 178,842 net tons, the oil market having failed to expand at the rate anticipated when so many tankers were ordered about 13 months ago. Some negative satisfaction may be derived from the knowledge that the laid up tonnage figures are usually higher at midsummer and that the increase since April is not very great. This, however, is a poor consolation. The Times.

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TALKIE TALKS

by
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A beautiful English woman is
Elissa Landi and she is to be seen in
her first American Talkie, "Body
and Soul." I say English, because
that is how she puts down her
nationality in her passport. But
she was born in Venice, and her
father and mother were Austrian.
Rumour states that her maternal
grandmother was the Empress
Elizabeth of Austria. The father
deserted her mother and the family
of three. Her only brother went
to Vancouver, where a small shop,
selling Viennese sweets and cakes,
gave the deserted family their living.
Later the mother married Count Landi,
and they all returned to Vienna, and
the children were educated on the
Continent and in England. Elissa
went on to the stage and later was
married to an English barrister,
John Lawrence. She then took
up work in the movies, among them
being one in French with Adolphe
Menjou. Later she went to New York
and was on the stage in "A Farewell
to Arms," and signing to Fox. Privately I
hear her picture is far better than
her second. La Landi at times
photographs perfectly, at other
times she looks homely. There is
no questioning her histrionic
ability. She is a very fine actress.
Perfect carriage, dignity, and her
every movement denotes breeding.
Charles Farrell, the best thing he
has done in the Talkies, Humphrey
Bogart, Donald Dillaway and Myrna
Loy make good support. But it
will be the intelligent, glamorous
Elissa whom you will want to see.
Off stage she is equally brilliant,
and has had two novels published.
She plays and sings, and adores
music; speaks many languages, but
will not add to the gaiety of the
Film Colony, as she dislikes crowds
and limelight, but will certainly
add to the intelligence. I advise
you seeing this one. (King's).

"Up the River," is a satire, and at
times a burlesque on prison life in
America. It is quite funny, and also
goes melodramatic. Spencer Tracy
and Warren Hymer are excellent.
Claire Luce, Humphrey Bogart,
William Collier (Sent), also the
small daughter of the Warden of
Sing Sing Prison, who scatters
sunshine and wisecracks among the
prisoners, are in the cast. This
particular prison seems to be run
rather like a College with Ball
Games, variety shows, flirtations
etc. and everyone is happy. As we
have not been overburdened by stories
behind the bars, it may prove as
interesting to you as it did to me.
Well directed by John Ford. (King's).

"Aloha" resembles "The Bird of
Paradise," volcano and all. Quite a
lot of sob stuff, a little comedy,
plenty of South Seas atmosphere,
with Raquel Torres and Ben
Lyon working hard, successfully.
(Central).

"Men Without Women" has been
big draw in London. Now is
your chance to find out just how it
feels to be in a sunken submarine.
You may study the reactions of a
group of men imprisoned at the
bottom of the sea, with very little
oxygen and little chance of escape.
To some it will mean real entertainment,
to others it will be gruesome,
but it is rated high, and the
direction by John Ford, with excellent
acting by the men, Kenneth
McKenna, who takes the part of
the British ex-naval officer, Stuart
Erwin, in the Wireless Room,
Frank Albertson, in his first good
part, Paul Page, Warren Hymer
and others, will certainly give you
a thrilling evening. Watch the
members of the crew run the whole
gamut of emotions. Makes you
think—and it is a finely done
Talkie—but don't expect a light
evening's entertainment.
(Central).

Low Ayres' popularity will be in-
creased by "The Iron Man." It is
the story of a slow-thinking
hard-fitting pugilist who is help-
less without his crafty manager,
perfectly played by Robert Arm-
strong. When the hero throws
him over for a platinum blond,
(Jean Harlow), he is lost. We
have not had many pictures of this
handsome lad here, but he will be
remembered in "The Kiss" and
"All Quiet on the Western Front."
(Central).

One of the Queens of Comedy is
Marion Davies in "It's a Wonderful
Woman" but she would stand out

Child, the stage hit. Marion
handles her part perfectly, as al-
ways. Sydney Blackmer, Lester
Vail, Jimmy Gleason, Marie Prevost
and Polly Moran, help things along.
I am still wondering how certain
parts passed the censor; the theme
is risky. Robert Z. Leonard
directs (Queen's).

Breezy action and dialogue make
Robert Montgomery's first starring
vehicle "Shipmates" entertaining.
The background is the Pacific Fleet
of the U.S. Navy who helped in the
making of the story. Dorothy
Jordan, Gavin Gordon, Cliff Ed-
ward and Ernest Torrence flash in
and out. Montgomery is just him-
self—very attractive to the
Flappers. Kiddies will like this
film, so will many adults. (Queen's).

"Dracula," with Bela Lugosi fix-
ing his hypnotic eyes upon his
victim and the audience saying
"Oh" and Helen Chandler register-
ing fear on all occasions, comes
shortly to the Central. For a
thriller, it is a good one.

This little will confuse you—
"Drums of Jeopardy," but it re-
fers to a priceless ruby necklace,
murder, and mystery galore.
Warner Oland, so liked here as
Charlie Chan, with June Collyer
are not great, but pleasing
(Central).

Wait till you see Ronald Colman
in "The Devil to Pay" and see if
you do not agree with me that it
is the best thing Ronnie has done
in the Talkies. He charms with
his flair for sophisticated drawing-
room comedy. He is a worthless,
lovable scoundrel who returns
from Kenya in time to steal the
girl (Loretta Young) from her
affiliated Russian Prince. All sup-
porting cast up to scratch—100 per
cent. (Queen's).

I wonder if I am in the minority
in this Colony in stating that I
consider "Cimarron" one of the
greatest pictures we have ever had.
Richard Dix came into his own.
In less skilled hands Yancey
Cravat might have succeeded in
appearing too vain a swaggerer, too
boastful, or worse still, too
theatrical, but acted by Dix it
was perfection. He gave us such
a human, lovable character whose
faults only made us love him the
more. Out of obscurity steps
a graceful beautiful actress—Irene
Dunne. She astonished by her
triumph. A Musical Comedy
actress, married for three years to
a well-known New York physician,
she made us re-live with her those
forty years of love and adventure.
Was not every part in the hands
of actresses? Who could have been
better than that pathetic little Jew,
George Stone? Estelle Taylor was
every thing that her admirers
expected. William Collier, jun.,
as "The Kid," Roscoe Ates as the
"durned good printer," with mar-
vellous direction by Wesley
Ruggles.

Dresses-of-the-period-were-perfect-
ly reproduced. For two hours and
six minutes I sat enthralled. Left
the theatre, wishing for the day to
come when British producers will
show to the world the pioneer days
when our people—men and women—
built up the great Empires of
Canada, Australia and Africa.
How thrilled the Americans must
be to see portrayed before their
eyes, the making and the building
of their country. I think Edna
Ferber's novel lost little by its
transition to the screen. What a
great picture Radio gave to the
world. There is one member of
the cast to whom I am giving
special mention. Radio have seen
fit to star her now. (I hope we
have some of her "dealers" in
laughter)—Edna May Oliver,
famous twisting sniff and all.
She was perfection in "Cimarron"
and we all wanted more of
her. She started her career
in Opera many years of the
stage—including three days on
Broadway, the part of Parthy Anne
Hawkes in "The Show Boat." Says
her face is her fortune, but when
she says that, it sounds rather
pathetic. She is only human—
longs (like we all do) to be
beautiful, but she realizes she must
capitalize on her face and that
sniff. Never goes to see her
self in the pictures and does
not enjoy seeing herself as
others see her. My personal
opinion is that she is decid-
edly distinctive, and she could be
surrounded by the most beautiful
women but she would stand out

Like another great artiste, Marie
Dressler, they acknowledge their
success to the fact that they were
absent on the roll call of beauty—
but they bring us joy, laughter, and
in that must find their content-
ment. ("Cimarron," Queen's).

HOLLYWOOD GOSSIP.

The picture I want to see is a few
Columbia films. Jack Holt and
Ralph Graves are in "Dirigible"—
Phillips Holmes in "The Criminal
Code" of Anne Harding's successes;
also another great actress whom
we have yet to see here—since she
made good—Barbara Stanwyck.
Dix and Jackie Cooper in
"Donovan's Kid," etc.
After walking off the "lot" many
times, with twenty writers re-
writing David Graham Phillips's
famous "Susan Lennox—her Fall
and Rise"—the results are entirely
satisfactory to the new double-
harness "It's" Greta Garbo—and the
present idol—Clark Gable. If
this young man does not

fall in love with his lead-
ing lady, nor give out inter-
views of what it is like working
with her, he may be chosen again
for her lead. I hear privately the
film had to be "cut" a lot, a little
too hot, but the final turn-out will
prove box-office history—perhaps
another Garbo-Gilbert riot.

Herbert Marshall one of the lead-
ing actors on the English stage has
made a big hit with Claudette Col-
bert in the New York Paramount
film, "Secrets of a Secretary." George
Metaxa, the man who was
such a hit in the London run of
Blither "Sweet," and whose gram-
ophone records are famous, has also
made good. I hear that the mar-
riage of Norman Foster and Colbert
has gone on the rocks. Tragic to
hear that a woman who has helped
to "make" her husband, shared his
poverty, his failures and his suc-
cesses, is forced to divorce her
husband. I refer to Lawrence
Tibbets.

Constance Bennett left for Paris
in the same ship as the Marquis de

la Falaise. When Gloria Swanson's
divorce is made final, this good
looking French man will again wed
a film star. Dorothy Lee, Radio's
star blonde, has said good bye to
her husband of five months. John
Gilbert is said to be very much in
love with a visiting Hawaiian
Princess. Robert Armstrong is
being divorced also. Clark

Gable re-married his wife, as
it was not valid in Cali-
fornia. She gave her age as
forty-one and his is thirty. Ginger
Rogers is no longer Mrs. Pepper.
Lupe Velez is making extraordinary
success in vaudeville with her
imitations of Marlene
Dietrich, Gloria Swanson,
Dolores del Rio, June Collyer
and Stuart Erwin have just married.
Helen Chandler is married to an
English writer, Cyril Hume. He
is in M-G-M.

After the pre-view of Dolores
Costello's first Talkie, the announce-
ment was made that she would re-
tire from the films. No wonder
after reading what the critics said.

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Pig's Chittlings	豬腩	lb.	30 27 —	Carambola	楊桃	lb.	18 12 —
Brains	豬腩	lb.	8 — —	Coconuts	椰子	each	14 10 10
Feet	豬腩	lb.	18 15 —	Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12 25 30
Fry	豬腩	lb.	30 15 18	Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	16 8 —
Head	豬腩	lb.	20 20 —	Liches, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	1.00 25 30
Heart	豬腩	each	18 10 10	Oranges (Canton)	新會橙	lb.	— — —
Kidneys	豬腩	lb.	15 10 8	Oranges	橙	lb.	— 15 —
Liver	豬腩	lb.	48 30 24	Fears (Canton)	沙梨	lb.	28 — —
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Sheep's Head & Feet	羊腩	set	90 60 70	Walnuts	核桃	lb.	— — —
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WEIGHTIER MATTERS IN HAND

Rugby, Yesterday. The attention of the Press has been turned recently to the possibilities of an appeal to the country in a General Election, and the various political combinations are discussed.

In Government circles the feeling is, it is understood, to be that suggestions of an early election are calculated to have an exciting and undesirable effect on both the political and the financial situation. That fact is that members of the Cabinet and Government have all their energies bent on the immediate task of re-establishment of complete confidence in British sterling and credit. Statements as to the personal attitudes of members of Government are based entirely upon speculation.

The Cabinet Sub-Committee, on which the three political Parties of the day are represented, is known to be making a most careful survey in connection with a problem of redressing Britain's adverse trade balance, and every suggestion that has been put forward is being studied.—British Wireless Service.

Avoid at All Costs.

Rugby, Yesterday. The House of Lords, which adjourned on September 8 till to-day, this afternoon discussed a motion proposed by Lord Melchett approving of the action of Government in setting up a Committee of the Cabinet to inquire into the methods of balancing the trade exchange. Lord Melchett said the adverse

balance of trade demanded urgent attention and, advocating a tariff as a part of the reorganisation of the national industrial system, he emphasised that a General Election should be avoided at all costs.

After a short debate, in which members of the Labour Opposition did not take part, Lord Peel, Lord Privy Seal, replying for the Government said he understood the objections to a General Election, but was not in a position to make any statement.

Government had balanced the Budget, and foreign countries were impressed by the vigour with which the problem had been tackled and the spirit in which all classes were ready to make sacrifices, Government he said, would not run away from its responsibilities. He also stated that a Sub-Committee of the Cabinet was studying the problem of the trade balance and was hard at work.—British Wireless Service.

Early Appeal Likely.

London, To-day.

In spite of the opposition expressed at the meeting of the Liberal Parliamentary Party yesterday to an early General Election, political opinion is generally convinced that there will be an early appeal to the country by the National Government headed by Mr. MacDonald on the tariff issue, probably entailing a change of persons in the National Government owing to the defection of Sir

Herbert Samuel and other Free Traders.

It is suggested that all Government's business is certain to be passed by both Houses in time to dissolve Parliament on October 9 which automatically means that October 19 will be polling day.

Newspapers continue giving prominence to election-talk, and issue contradictory reports regarding the meeting last night between bankers' representatives and the Prime Minister, after which the Cabinet sat till 11.30 p.m.

On the one hand it is stated the bankers asked for a definite announcement that no Election would be forced, at any rate for the present, and at least not until the present danger to sterling had passed. On the other hand, it is stated the bankers' interview was concerned solely with precautions to safeguard the pound during an Election.

It is believed the Government, in the next few days, will issue a National appeal in connection with this matter.—Reuter.

Liberals Opposed to Idea.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Liberal Parliamentary Party met to-night under the chairmanship of Sir Herbert Samuel and, for two hours, discussed the National emergency situation.

It is authoritatively stated that the general consensus of opinion expressed at the meeting was that there should not be an early General Election.—British Wireless Service.

POSEIDON HERO ENTERTAINED.

Presentations by British Legion.

MODEST REPLY.

London, Yesterday. The "Poseidon" hero, Chief Petty Officer Willis, was entertained this evening by the Molesey Branch of the British Legion of which he is an honorary member. He was presented with a gold watch and Mrs. Willis with a travelling bag. The presentations were made by Colonel John Brown, National Chairman of the Legion.

C.P.O. Willis, in a modest reply, said that there were plenty others in the Submarine Service who would have done the same as he did.—Reuter.

SUBMARINE DRAMA.

Elstree, August 25. "There's something wrong, Chief—I can't hear anything in my oxygen apparatus."

"That's all right, son, you can't hear anything in mine, either."

Chief Petty Officer Patrick Willis listened with a smile to the words which must have reminded him vividly of his ordeal in the sunken Poseidon two months ago.

They were spoken by two men standing up to their necks in water in the interior of a "submarine" specially constructed at the British International Pictures studio here for a forthcoming film. "Are those the words that actually passed?" I whispered to Mr. Willis as he continued to watch keenly the pseudo-Willis (Mr. Sydney Seaward) and his shipmates.

"Yes—more or less," he said. "Did you call him 'son' when you reassured him?"

"Well, no, hardly," laughed Mr. Willis. "We watched for some time Mr. Chang Fat, playing the part of 'Ah Hai,' the steward, undergoing repeated duckings and being 'instructed' in the use of his oxygen apparatus by another of the 'imprisoned' sailors, while cameramen in bathing costumes skirmished about."

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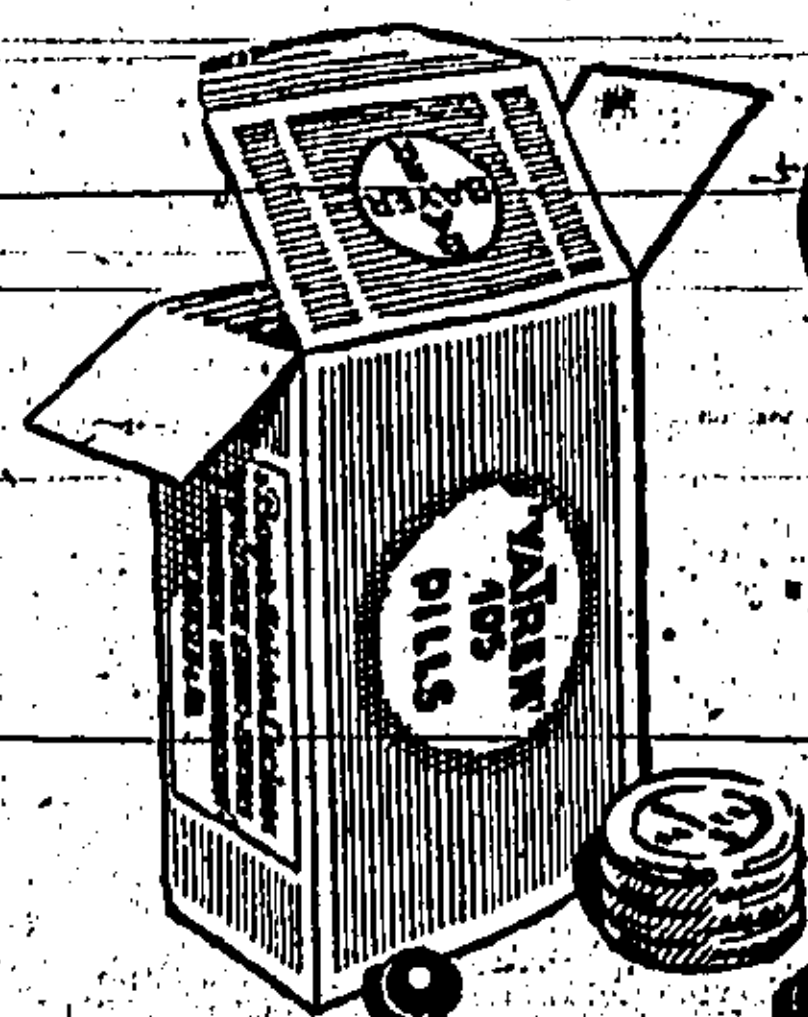
NO INTERVIEWS.

Quebec, Yesterday. Refusing to be interviewed, Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, sailed by the Duchess of Bedford for England to-day. He is travelling incognito as his name does not appear on the passenger list.—Reuter.

Then Mr. Willis was prevailed on to descend into the tank in waders and submit to the glaring studio lights and much photographing.

That this ordeal was more severe than the original seemed to be indicated by the fact that when he was asked to pose with outstretched arm his hand was noticeably shaking.

He seemed relieved to clamber out again and leave the "set."



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